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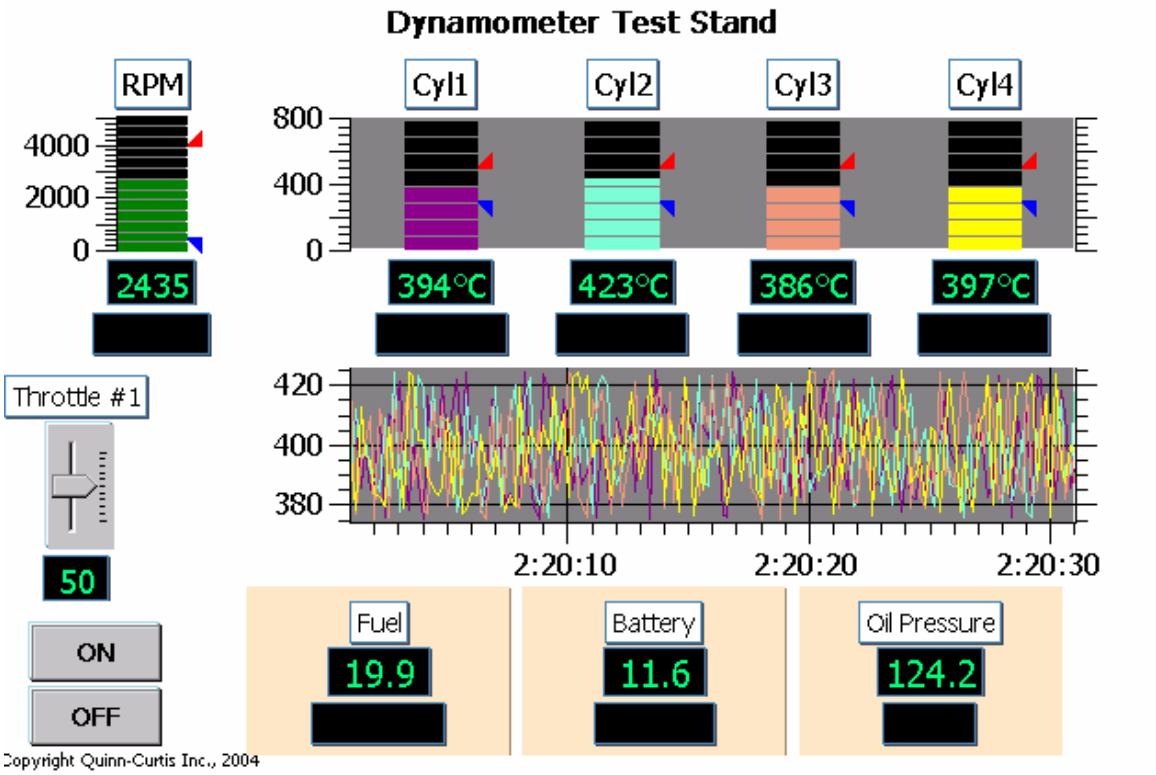

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1. Introduction - Real-Time Graphics Tools for the .Net Compact Framework

QCRTGraph CF requires Visual Studio 2005/2008 or higher

The current version (2.0) of the **QCRTGraph CF** software is **not** compatible with Visual Studio 2003, or the .Net Compact Framework 1.0 and 1.1. If it is an absolute requirement that you use Visual Studio 2003 (or .Net CF 1.0 or 2.0), you can contact Quinn-Curtis by e-mail at support@quinn-curtis.com to see if we can supply you with the older, Rev. 1.6 version of the software. There will be no enhancements or bug fixes to that revision of the software though.

Even though the VS 2005 can create projects that target older .Net CF 1.0 platforms, you must target platforms that can support .Net CF 2.0.

New Features found in the 2.0 version of QCRTGraph

Additional Rev. 2.0 features added to the QCRTGraph software include:

- Scrolling support for elapsed time coordinate systems
- Vertical scrolling with auto-scaling for numeric, time/date and elapsed time coordinate system.
- A collection of "Auto" classes have been added to simplify the creation of bar indicators, meters, dials, clocks, panel meters and scrolling graphs.
- A **RTProcessVarViewer** class for the grid-like display of process variable historical data in a table

The QCRTGraph software is built on top of the QCChart2D software. Revision 2.0 has added many new features to QCChart2D. New features include:

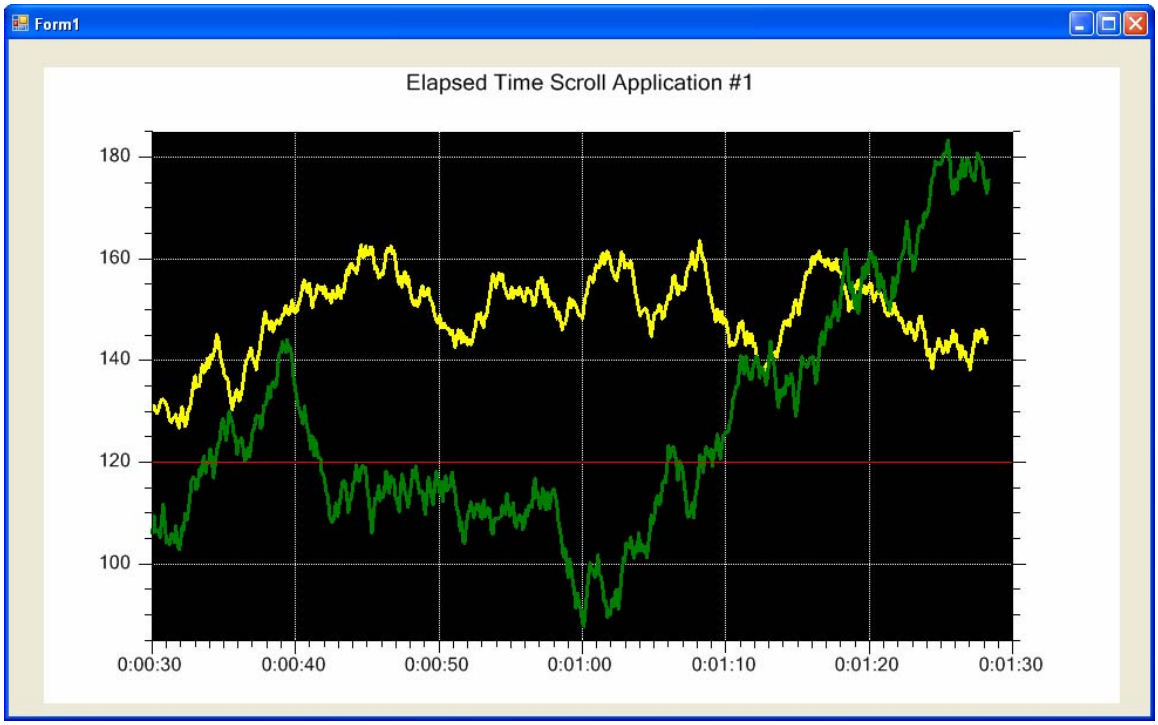
- Five new plot types: **BoxWiskerPlot**, **FloatingStackedBarPlot**, **RingChart**, **SimpleVersaPlot** and **GroupVersaPlot**
- Elapsed time scaling to compliment the time/date scaling. Includes a set of classes specifically for elapsed time charts: **ElapsedTimeLabel**, **ElapsedTimeAutoScale**, **ElapsedTimeAxis**, **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**, **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**, **ElapsedTimeScale**, **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** and **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset**.
- Vertical axis scaling for time/date and elapsed time
- A **DatasetViewer** class for the grid-like display of dataset information in a table.
- A **MagniView** class: a new way to zoom data

- A **CoordinateMove** class – used to pan the coordinate system, left, right, up, down.
- Zoom stack processing is now internal to the ChartZoom class

Refer to the QCChart2D manual for information specific to these new features.

Elapsed Time Scrolling

The **TimeCoordinates** class proved less than optimal for the display simple elapsed time scales. The software now supports elapsed time scales with the addition of **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**, **ElapsedTimeScale**, **ElapsedTimeAutoScale**, **ElapsedTimeAxis**, **ElapasedTimeLabel**, and **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels** classes. For example, you can now have a scale with a 12-hour range of (00:00:00 to 12:00:00), without an explicit calendar date associated with it. Either the x- or y-dimension can be scaled as elapsed time.



Horizontal scrolling of an elapsed time chart

Vertical Scrolling for Time/Date, Numeric and Elapsed Time Scales.

A new class, **RTVerticalScrollFrame**, manages scrolling in the vertical direction. It is compatible with the **CartesianCoordinates**, **TimeCoordinates** and the new **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** classes.

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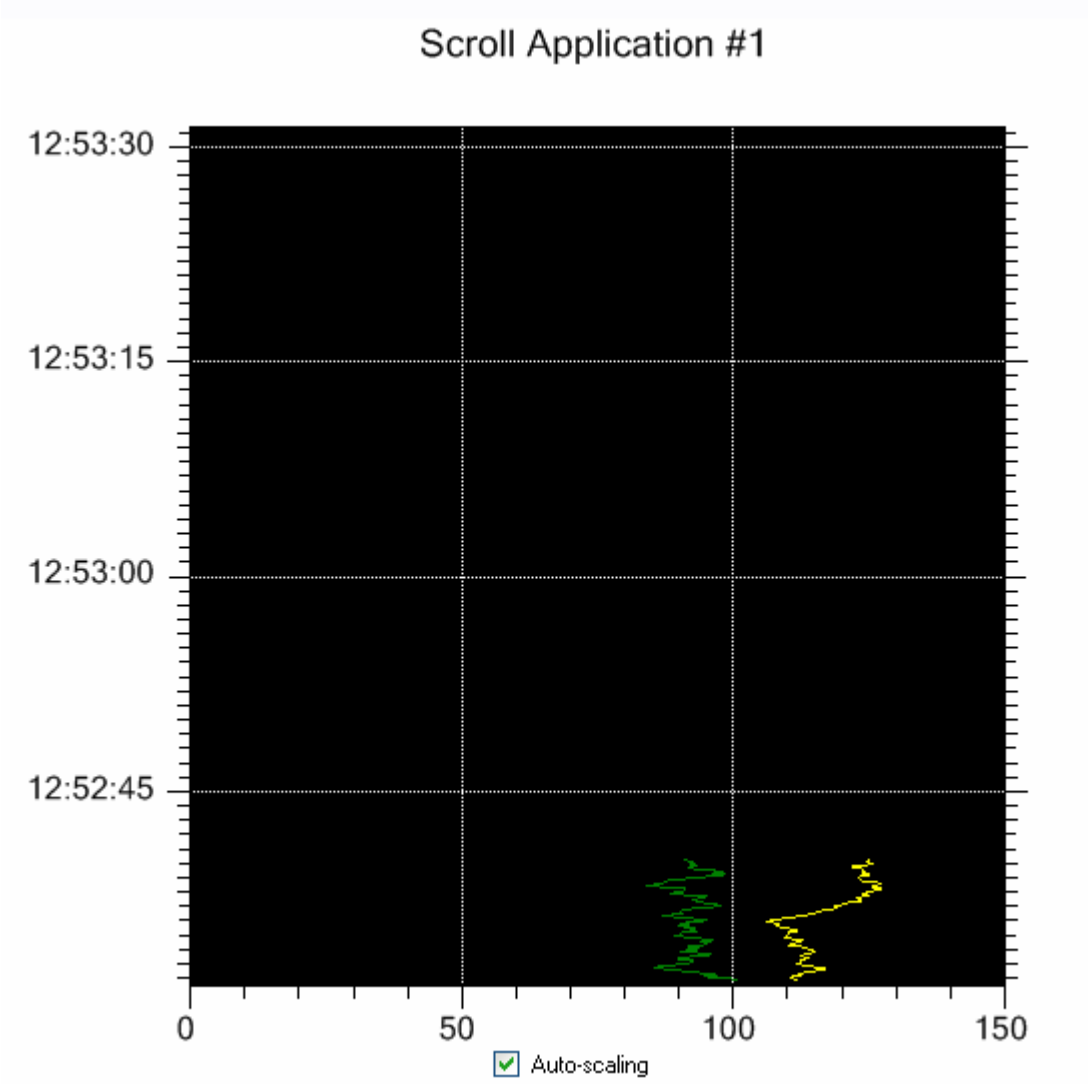
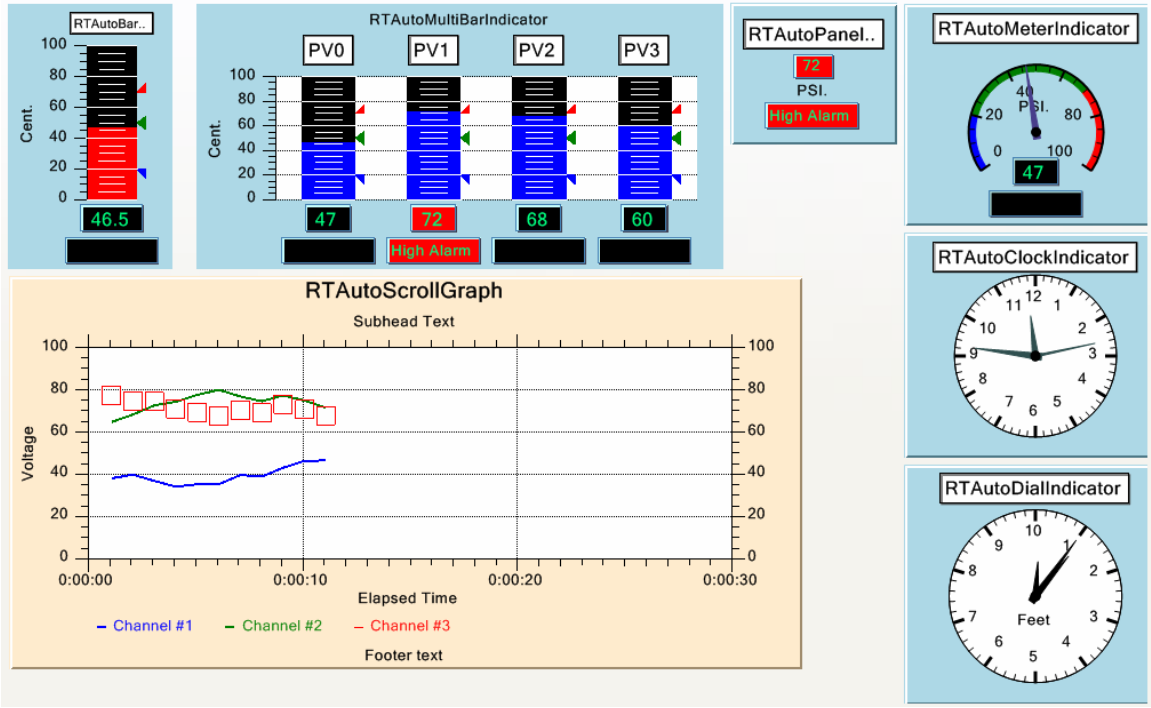


Time/Date Scrolling in the Vertical Dimension

New RTAuto… Indicator Classes

New classes have been added to simplify the creation of bar indicators, meters, dials, clocks, panel meters and scrolling graphs. These classes encapsulate all of the elements needed to create a particular real-time indicator type: coordinate system, axes, axes

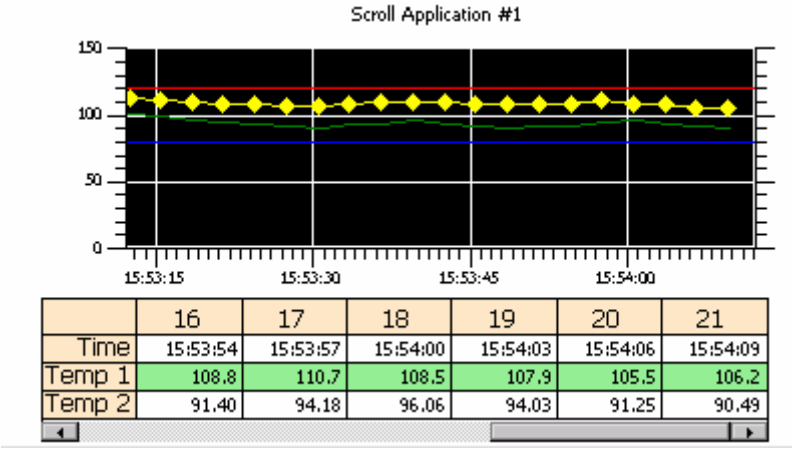
labels, titles, process variable, alarms, and panel meters for numeric readouts and alarm status. The auto-indicator classes are setup as a self contained ChartView derived objects, placeable on a form, and can be modified using methods and properties.



Combine the new RTAuto.. classes together on a single form.

Process Variable Data Table

Integrated data grids for viewing process variable historical data.
The new **RTProcessVarViewer** class will display **RTProcessVar** historical data using a simple grid, or table format. The viewer is derived from our QCChart2D **DatasetViewer** class. Horizontal and vertical scrolling options are supported. Numeric and time/date based formats are also supported. Row and column headers can be customized.



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Temp 1	108.8	110.7	108.5	107.9	105.5	106.2
Temp 2	91.40	94.18	96.06	94.03	91.25	90.49

View data in a table using the RTProcessVarViewer

Differences between this and the previous (1.6) version.

Starting with Visual Studio 2005, the .Net Compact Framework 2.0 supports the **UserControl** class. In the 1.6 version of the software, the **ChartView** control was derived from the .Net CF **Control** class and this has been changed to **UserControl** in order to make the .Net CF version of QCRTGraph and QCChart2D source compatible with the .Net version. Since the **ChartView** control is now derived from **UserControl**, and because of improvements made in the .Net CF design mode, you can now drop and drag the **ChartView** control onto a .Net CF form.

Also, starting with Windows .Net CF 2.0, line drawing supports line thicknesses greater than one, and line styles (solid, and dashed). We have enabled this feature in the **ChartAttribute** class, so your .Net CF charts can now have thick lines, and lines styles (solid and dashed).

In the original 1.6 version of the software, the QCChart2DNetCF library defined a **DashStyle** enumeration to make up for the one included with .Net 1.0, but not .Net CF 1.0. Since .Net CF 2.0 now includes a **DashStyle** enumeration we have removed the one in the QCChart2DNetCF library, and use the System.Drawing.Drawing2D enumeration of **DashStyle** exclusively. So, any modules that reference **DashStyle** must include a reference to System.Drawing.Drawing2D in the *using* (C#) or *Imports* (VB) section of the program.

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We have discontinued support for programming .Net CF applications using Visual Studio 2003 and no projects for VS 2003 have been included with the software. The current version of the software has been tested to be compatible with VS 2005 and VS 2008.

Tutorials

Tutorials that describe how to get started with the **QCRTGraph CF** graphics software are found in Chapter 18 (*Using QCRTGraph CF to Create Windows Applications*).

QCRTGraph CF Background

A large subcategory of the charting software market is concerned with the continuous or on-demand update of real-time data in a scrolling chart, gauge (bar graph), meter, annunciator or text format. Software that creates graphs of this type should make the creation and update of real-time graphs as simple and as fast as possible. The original **QCChart2D CF** charting product was designed to allow for the fast creation and update of custom charts using a large number of auto-scale, auto-axes, and auto-labeling routines. A good application for the **QCChart2D CF** software is the on-demand creation and display of historical stock market data, where the data source, time frame and scale are defined by user inputs. This is the type of charting application that you will find on Yahoo, MSN and every brokerage firm web site. A related application would involve the second by second update of real-time stock market data as it streams from a real-time data source. The software that is used for the display of historical data is seldom used to display real-time data, because its data structures are not designed for incremental updates, and its rendering routines are not fast enough to convert the data to a chart within the allowable display update interval. The **QCRTGraph CF** software integrates the **QCChart2D CF** charting software with real-time data structures and specialized rendering routines. It is designed for on-the-fly rendering of the real-time data using new specialized classes for scrolling graphs, gauges (bar graphs), meters, annunciators and text. Plot objects created using the **QCChart2D CF** classes can be freely mixed with the new **QCRTGraph CF** classes. Advanced user interface features such as zooming and tool-tips can used with real-time scrolling charts.

Limitation of the .Net API Compact Framework API

Like the **QCChart2D CF** software, the **QCRTGraph CF** software uses the graphics features found in the Microsoft **.Net Compact Framework** API. The **.Net Compact Framework** includes a basic API for writing applications that make use of GUI's, data structures, databases, files and streams, networking and web services. The graphics part of the API is a subset of the standard .Net graphics API, supporting far fewer classes than are found in that API, and far fewer methods and properties in the classes that are supported. A few of limitations of the **.Net Compact Framework** API, compared to the regular .Net API are:

- **.Net CF** applications typically run on CPU challenged devices and as a result are really, really slow, compared to regular .Net applications running under Windows XP. Keep this in mind when writing applications. While our examples tend to be very complex, in order to demonstrate as many programming features as possible, they run too slow for a practical .Net CF application. Limit displays to a couple of graphs, not the 10 or 20 some of our examples use.
- Brushes only support simple color, i.e. no gradients, or textures
- Only simple RGB colors are supported with no alpha blending (no transparency)
- No generalized geometry support for arbitrary shapes because **.Net Compact Framework** lacks a Matrix class and a GraphicsPath class

- No 2D coordinate transformation classes, for rotating text and arbitrary geometric shapes
- Text cannot be rotated, not even 90 degrees for vertical text
- No printer and image output support
- Images imported into a program cannot be rotated
- Early versions of **.Net CF** do not support background colors for button and trackbar components
- In general, none of the advanced features found in the System.Drawing2D library are available to the **.Net Compact Framework** programmer.

The **QCRTGraph CF** software derives from our original **QCRTGraph** for .Net software. The original software makes extensive use of the advanced graphics features found in the workstation version of .Net. In order to port the **QCRTGraph** software to the **.Net Compact Framework** compromises had to be made because of the limitations listed above. In some cases, work-arounds were devised to overcome these limitations. When compared to the original **QCRTGraph** for .Net software, the **QCRTGraph CF** software has the following limitations:

- While the Brush class only supports a simple color, i.e. no gradients, or textures, we were able to implement simple linear gradients for our ChartBackground class
- Only simple RGB colors are supported with no alpha blending (no transparency)
- Because much of the original software was written using the GraphicsPath class, we created our own simple GraphicsPath class to maintain source compatibility
- A simple Matrix class, along with related 2D coordinate transformation routines, were added so that we could rotate, scale and translate geometric shapes and symbols defined using GraphicsPath objects.
- Image objects incorporated in a chart can be scaled and translated, but not rotated.
- Text still cannot be rotated, not even 90 degrees for y-axis titles
- *We implemented XOR drawing so that we could properly draw zoom rectangles and data cursor objects
- No printer and image output support

*The XOR drawing is optional. We implement XOR drawing by calling a **.Net CF PInvoke** function that permits calling drawing routines in the underlying oprerating system. Strickly speaking, this violates the .Net managed memory paradigm, though it never really mattered in Revisions 1.0, 1.1 and 2.0 of .Net CF. For unknown reasons, starting with the .Net CF 3.5, found in Visual Studio 2008, it does matter. The VS 2008 Toolbox will not host a UserControl derived object that contains PInvoke calls. Therefore, we include two versions of the QCChart2DNetCF DLL, one that uses PInvoke and supports XOR drawing, and one that does not use PInvoke. They are named QCChart2DNetCF_XOR.DLL.(uses PInvoke and support XOR drawing mode) and QCChart2DNetCF_NOXOR.DLL .(does not use PInvoke and does not support XOR drawing mode). The DLL you wish to use must copied and renamed to QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and placed in the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder. The default QCChart2DNetCF.DLL file is a copy of QCChart2DNetCF_NOXOR.DLL.

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QCRTGraph CF Dependencies

The **QCRTGraph CF** class library is a self-contained. It uses only standard classes that ship with the Microsoft .Net API. The software uses the major .Net namespaces listed below.

System.Windows.Forms Namespace

The **System.Windows.Forms** namespace contains classes for creating .Net Forms, Controls and Dialog boxes.

System.Drawing Namespace

The **System.Drawing** namespace provides access to GDI basic graphics functionality. The more advanced functionality found in the **System.Drawing.Drawing2D**, **System.Drawing.Imaging**, and **System.Drawing.Text** namespaces is NOT available.

System.Drawing.Color Class

Provides a class to define colors in terms of their individual RGB (Red, Green, Blue) components.

System.Drawing.Font Class

Defines a particular format for text, including font face, size, and style attributes..

System.IO Namespace

The IO namespace contains types that allow synchronous and asynchronous reading and writing on data streams and files.

System.Collections Namespace

The **System.Collections** namespace contains interfaces and classes that define various collections of objects, such as lists, queues, bit arrays, hash tables and dictionaries.

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QCRTGraph\ - Language specific code directory

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CF Examples\ - C# examples directory

Annunciators, AutoGraphDemos, AutoInstrumentPanel, BarApplication1, Dynamometer, ElapsedTimeScrollApplication1, FetalMonitor, HomeAutomation, HybridCar, MeterApplication1, MiniScope, PIDControlTuner, Polygraph, ProcessMonitoring, ProcessVarDataTables, RTGraphNetDemo, RTStockDisplay, RTXYDisplay, ScrollApplication1, ScrollApplication2, ScrollApplication3, Treadmill, VerticalScrolling, WeatherStation

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There are three licenses associated with the **QCRTGraph CF** class library: the 30-day trial license, the standard developers license and the redistributable version. Each version has different characteristics that are summarized below:

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The developer version of **QCRTGraph CF** is downloaded in a file named something like NETCFRTGREDR1x5x684x1.zip.zip. It will NOT time out as some of our other subscription based software does. You can download updates to the software from two years from the time of the original purchases. Save your original download links. You will need these links to download updates to the software.

Chapter Summary

The remaining chapters of this book discuss how to program using the **QCRTGraph CF** class library.

Chapter 2 presents the overall class architecture of the **QCRTGraph CF** software and summarizes all of the classes found in the software.

Chapter 3 summarizes the important **QCChart2D CF** classes that you must be familiar with in order to use the **QCRTGraph CF** software.

Chapter 4 describes the process variable and alarm classes that hold **QCRTGraph CF** data.

Chapter 5 describes the panel meter classes: numeric, alarm, string and time/date panel meters**.**

Chapter 6 describes the single channel bar indicator classes, including segmented, custom, and pointer bar subtypes**.**

Chapter 7 describes the multi-channel bar indicator classes, including segmented, custom, and pointer bar subtypes**.**

Chapters 8 describe the meter setup classes: meter coordinates, meter axes, and meter axis labels.

Chapter 9 describes the meter indicator classes including classes for meter needles, arc, segmented arc, and symbol indicators.

Chapter 10 how the meter indicator classes are used to create dials and clocks.

Chapter 11 describes the annunciator classes.

Chapter 12 describes the scroll frame class and the implementation of scrolling plots based on the **QCChart2D CF SimpleLinePlot**, **SimpleBarPlot**, **SimpleScatterPlot** and **SimpleLineMarkerPlot** classes using the: **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** class.

Chapter 13 describes the **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** class and the implementation of scrolling plots based on the **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot**.

Chapter 14 describes custom control classes: buttons, and track bars.

Chapter 15 describes the PID control class.

Chapter 16 describes tricks and techniques for zooming of real-time data.

Chapter 17 describes miscellaneous classes for drawing shapes and creating rectangular and circular backdrops for graphs and controls.

Chapter 18 describes the **RTProcessVarViewer** class – a data table used to display historical data collected by the RTProcessVar class.

Chapter 19 describes the new **RTAutoIndicator** classes (**RTAutoBarIndicator**, **RTAutoMultiBarIndicator**, **RTAutoMeterIndicator**, **RTAutoClockIndicator**, **RTAutoDialIndicator**, **RTAutoScrollGraph**, **RTAutoPanelMeterIndicator**) These classes simplify the creation of bar indicators, meters, dials, clocks, panel meters and scrolling graphs.

Chapter 20 is a tutorial that describes how to use **QCRTGraph CF** to create Windows applications using Visual Studio .Net, Visual C# and Visual Basic.

Chapter 21 is a collection of Frequently Asked Questions about **Real-Time Graphics Tools for *.Net***.

2. Class Architecture of the QCRTGraph CF Class Library

Major Design Considerations

This chapter presents an overview of the **QCRTGraph CF** class architecture. It discusses the major design considerations of the architecture:

Based on the **QCChart2D CF** charting architecture, it has the same design considerations listed in that software. These are:

- It is based on the .Net CF System.Drawing API model and the **System.Windows.Forms** classes.
- New charting objects can be added to the library without modifying the source of the base classes.
- There are no limits regarding the number of data points in a plot, the number of plots in graph, the number of axes in a graph, the number of coordinate systems in a graph.
- There are no limits regarding the number of legends, arbitrary text annotations, bitmap images, geometric shapes, titles, data markers, cursors and grids in a graph.
- Users can interact with charts using classes using **System.EventHandler** delegate event driven model.

Design consideration specific to **QCRTGraph CF** are:

- Updates of data classes are asynchronous with rendering of graphics to the screen.
- Real-Time plot objects are derived from **QCChart2D CF** plot objects resulting in standardized methods for setting plot object properties.
- Any standard plot type from the **QCChart2D CF** software package, both simple and group plot types, can be implemented as scrolling graphs.
- There are no limits on the number of process variable channels, no limits on the number of alarm limits associated with a process variable, no limits on the number of real-time plots in a graph.
- The update of real-time objects will not interfere or overwrite other objects and will follow the z-order precedence established when the graph was created.

The chapter also summarizes the classes in the **QCRTGraph CF** library.

There are five primary features of the overall architecture of the **QCRTGraph CF** classes. These features address major shortcomings in existing charting software for use with both .Net and other computer languages.

- **QCRTGraph CF** uses the standard .Net CF window architecture. Real-Time graphs are placed in a **ChartView** window that derives from the **System.Windows.Forms.Control** class. Position one or more **ChartView** objects in .Net container windows using the standard container layout managers. Mix static **QCChart2D CF** and real-time charts with other components in the same container.

- The **QCRTGraph CF** software uses a new real-time update and rendering paradigm which represents a shift in the way Quinn-Curtis has always done real-time updates in past. In the past, graphs were always updated incrementally as new data arrived. This is no longer the case. Instead rendering is no longer incremental. When a graph is rendered, the entire graph is redrawn using the most current data. A special process variable class (**RTProcessVar**) is used to store new data as it is acquired. In the case of graphs that require a historical display of information, such as scrolling graphs, the process variable class also manages a **ChartDataset** object that holds historical information. Updating the process variable with new data values does NOT trigger a screen update. Because the screen update is not event driven from the update of the data, the process variable can be updated hundreds, or even thousands of times faster than the screen. The graph should be rendered to the screen, using a timer or some other event, at a frame rate of 1 - 10 seconds / update, or slower. The rendered graphs will always reflect the most current data, and in the case of scrolling graphs or other graphs that display time persistent data, will always display all data within the current scale limits. As processor speeds improve and .Net CF because faster, the screen updates will get proportionally faster.

- Since all real-time plot objects are derived from the **QCChart2D CF ChartPlot** class, the methods and properties of that class are available to set commonly used attributes such as the real-time plot object scale, line and fill colors.

- Many new real-time classes have been added to the software, implementing display objects that render process variable data in a variety of graph and text formats. These include single and multiple bar indicator classes, meter axis and meter indicator classes, panel meter classes, and annunciator classes. Rather than create a whole new set of classes that reproduce all of the **SimplePlot** and **GroupPlot** classes of the **QCChart2D CF** library, two special classes (**RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot**) are used to interface the **QCChart2D CF** plot objects to the process variable data classes. That way any **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** or **GroupPlot** object can be converted into a real-time scrolling graph without adding any code to the **QCRTGraph CF** library.

QCRTGraph CF Class Summary

The **QCRTGraph CF** library is a super set of the **QCChart2D CF** library. The classes of the **QCChart2D CF** library are an integral part of the software. A summary of the **QCChart2D CF** classes appears below.

QCChart2D CF Class Summary

Chart view class — The chart view class is a UserControl subclass that manages the graph objects placed in the graph

Data classes — There are data classes for simple xy and group data types. There are also data classes that handle System.DateTime date/time data and contour data.

Scale transform classes — The scale transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a single dimension.

Coordinate transform classes

The coordinate transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a parametric (2D) coordinate system.

Attribute class — The attribute class encapsulates the most common attributes (line color, fill color, line style, line thickness, etc.) for a chart object.

Auto-Scale classes — The coordinate transform classes use the auto-scale classes to establish the minimum and maximum values used to scale a 2D coordinate system. The axis classes also use the auto-scale classes to establish proper tick mark spacing values.

Charting object classes — The chart object classes includes all objects placeable in a chart. That includes axes, axes labels, plot objects (line plots, bar graphs, scatter plots, etc.), grids, titles, backgrounds, images and arbitrary shapes.

Mouse interaction classes — These classes, directly and indirectly System.EventHandler delegates that trap mouse events and permit the user to create and move data cursors, move plot objects, display tooltips and select data points in all types of graphs.

File and printer rendering — Not supported under .**Net Compact Framework**.

Miscellaneous utility classes Other classes use these for data storage, file I/O, and data processing.

For each of these categories see the associated description in the **QCChart2D CF** manual. The **QCRTGraph CF** classes are in addition to the ones above. They are summarized below.

QCRTGraph CF Class Summary

Process Variable and Alarms

Real-time data is stored in **RTProcessVar** classes. The **RTProcessVar** class is designed to represent a single process variable, complete with limit values, an unlimited number of high and low alarms, historical data storage, and descriptive strings for use in displays.

Single Value Indicators A single value indicator is a real-time display object that is attached to a single **RTProcessVar** object. This includes single channel bar indicators (which includes solid, segmented, custom and pointer bar indicators), meter indicators (which includes meter needles, meter arcs and meter symbol indicators), single channel annunciator indicators, panel meter indicators and scrolling graph plots based on a **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** chart object.

Multiple Value Indicators A multiple value indicator is a real-time display object that is attached to a group of **RTProcessVar** objects. This includes multiple channel bar indicators (which includes solid, segmented, custom and pointer bar indicators), multiple channel annunciator indicators, panel meter indicators organized in a grid, and scrolling graph plots based on a **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** chart object.

Alarm Indicators Alarm indicators are used to display alarm lines, symbols and fill areas for the **RTProcessVar** objects associated with the single value and multiple value indicator classes.

Panel Meter Classes The **RTPanelMeter** derived classes are special cases of the single value indicator classes that are used throughout the software to display real-time data in a text format. Panel meters are available for numeric values, string values, time/date values and alarm values.

Meter Axis Classes Meter indicators needed new classes to support the drawing of meter axes, meter axis labels and meter alarm objects.

Form Control Classes The .Net CF **Button** and **TrackBar** objects have been subclassed and enhanced for use in instrument panels. The **RTControlButton** class implements on/off colors and on/off text for momentary, toggle and radio button style buttons. The **RTTrackBar** class adds real-world scaling based on double values to the integer based **TrackBar** class. **RTControlButton** and **RTTrackBar** objects can be group together in a grid, organizing the control objects functionally and visually. (.**Net CF SP 1.0** does not support color controls, later versions do)

Scroll Frame A scroll frame manages constant rescaling of coordinate systems of plot objects (**RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** objects) that are displayed in a scrolling graph.

Auto Indicator Classes A group of classes encapsulate the real-time indicators (bars, meters, dials, clocks, panel meter, and scroll graphs) as self-contained **ChartView** derived classes, so that they can be placed individually on forms.

Miscellaneous Classes Support classes are used to display special symbols used for alarm limits in the software, special round and rectangular shapes that can be used as backdrops for groupings of chart objects and PID control.

QCRTGraph CF Classes

The **QCRTGraph** classes are a super set of the **QCChart2D CF** charting software. No attempt should be made to utilize the **QCRTGraph** classes without a good understanding of the **QCChart2D CF** classes. See the **QCChart2DNetCFManual** PDF file for detailed information about the **QCChart2D CF** classes. The diagram below depicts the class hierarchy of the **QCRTGraph CF** library without the additional **QCChart2D CF** classes

Namespace com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf.

System.EventArgs
    RTAlarmEventArgs
    RTGroupDatasetTruncateArgs
    RTDatasetTruncateArgs
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartObj
    RTAlarm
    RTAlarmIndicator
    RTMultiAlarmIndicator
    RTProcessVar
        RTComboProcessVar
    RTPIDControl
    RTRoundedRectangle2D
    RTSymbol
    RTTextFrame
    RTGenShape
    RT3DFrame
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
    RTPlot
        RTSingleValueIndicator
            RTPanelMeter
                RTNumericPanelMeter
                RTAlarmPanelMeter
                RTStringPanelMeter
                RTTimePanelMeter
                RTElapsedTimePanelMeter
                RTFormControlPanelMeter
            RTAnnunciator
            RTBarIndicator
            RTMeterIndicator
            RTMeterArcIndicator
            RTMeterNeedleIndicator
            RTMeterSymbolIndicator
            RTSimpleSingleValuePlot
        RTMultiValueIndicator
            RTMultiValueAnnunciator
            RTMultiBarIndicator
            RTGroupMultiValuePlot
            RTFormControlGrid
            RTScrollFrame
            RTVerticalScrollFrame

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.PolarCoordinates
    RTMeterCoordinates
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.LinearAxis

RTMeterAxis
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.NumericAxisLabels
RTMeterAxisLabels
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.StringAxisLabels
RTMeterStringAxisLabels

System.Windows.Forms.Button
RTControlButton
System.Windows.Forms.TrackBar
RTControlTrackBar
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartObj
RTFormControl

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator
RTAutoMeterIndicator
RTAutoClockIndicator
RTAutoDialIndicator
RTAutoScrollGraph
RTAutoPanelMeterIndicator

QCRTGraph Classes

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator
RTAutoMeterIndicator
RTAutoClockIndicator
RTAutoDialIndicator
RTAutoScrollGraph
RTAutoPanelMeterIndicator

The **ChartView** class, found in the **QCChart2D CF** library, is the starting point of the **QCRTGraph** library, same as in the **QCChart2D CF** library. The **ChartView** class derives from the .Net **System.Windows.Forms.Control** class**,** where the **Control** class is the base class for the .Net CF collection of standard components such as menus, buttons, check boxes, etc. The **ChartView** class manages a collection of chart objects in a chart and automatically updates the chart objects when the underlying window processes a paint event. Since the **ChartView** class is a subclass of the **Control** class, it acts as a container for other .Net CF components too.

The **ChartView** class is the base class for the self contained auto-indicator classes. Each real-time indicator is placed in its own **ChartView** derived window, along with all other objects typically associated the indicator (axes, labels, process variables, alarms, titles, etc.). Since **ChartView** is derived from **UserControl**, you can place as many auto-indicator classes on a form as you want.

RTAutoIndicator	Abstract base class for the other auto-indicator classes.
RTAutoBarIndicator	Bar indicator class displaying a single bar.
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator	Multi-bar indicator class displaying a multiple bars
RTAutoMeterIndicator	Meter indicator class displaying a single needle
RTAutoClockIndicator	Clock indicator displaying hours, minute, seconds.
RTAutoDialIndicator	Dial indicator displaying up to three needles as part of the dial
RTAutoScrollGraph	Scrolling graph can display an unlimited number of scroll graph traces
RTAutoPanelMeterIndicator	A simple panel meter indicator.

Process Variable and Alarms Classes

RTProcessVar
RTAlarm
RTAlarmEventArgs

Real-time data is stored in **RTProcessVar** classes. The **RTProcessVar** class is designed to represent a single process variable, complete with limit values, an unlimited number of high and low alarms, historical data storage, and descriptive strings for use in displays.

RTProcessVar	Real-time data is stored in **RTProcessVar** classes. The **RTProcessVar** class is designed to represent a single process variable, complete with limit values, an unlimited number of high and low alarms, historical data storage, and descriptive strings for use in displays.
RTAlarm	The **RTAlarm** class stores alarm information for the **RTProcessVar** class. The **RTAlarm** class specifies the type of the alarm, the alarm color, alarm text messages and alarm hysteresis value. The **RTProcessVar** classes can hold an unlimited number of **RTAlarm** objects in a ArrayList.
RTAlarmEventArgs	The **RTProcessVar** class can throw an alarm event based on either the current alarm state, or an alarm transition from one alarm state to another. The **RTAlarmEventArgs** class is used to pass alarm data to the event handler.

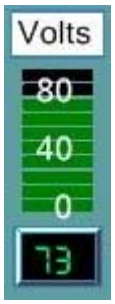
Panel Meter Classes

com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTNumericPanelMeter
RTAlarmPanelMeter
RTStringPanelMeter
RTTimePanelMeter
RTElapsedTimePanelMeter
RTFormControlPanelMeter

The **RTPanelMeter** derived classes are special cases of the single value indicator classes that are used throughout the software to display real-time data in a text format. Panel meters are available for numeric values, string values, time/date values and alarm values. All of the panel meter classes have a great many options for controlling the text font, color, size, border and background of the panel meter rectangle. **RTPanelMeter** objects are used in two ways. First, they can be standalone, and once attached to an **RTProcessVar** object they can be added to a **ChartView** as any other **QCChart2D CF**

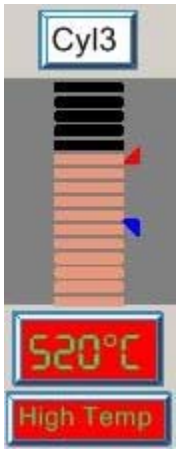
GraphObj derived class. Second, they can be attached to most of the single channel and multiple channel indicators, such as **RTBarIndicator**, **RTMultiBarIndicator**, **RTMeterIndicator** and **RTAnnunciator** objects, where they provide text output in addition to the indicators graphical output.

RTPanelMeter The abstract base class for the panel meter types.



Numeric panel meters can be the primary display method for real-time data, or they can be used as adjuncts to other real-time indicators such as bar indicators and meters.

RTNumericPanelMeter Displays the floating point numeric value of an **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF NumericLabel** class that is used to specify the font and numeric format information associated with the panel meter.



*The lowest panel meter in these examples is the **RTAlarmPanelMeter** object. Alarm properties include custom text for all alarm levels. When an alarm occurs, the foreground color of alarm text and the background color of the alarm text rectangle can be programmed to change state.*

RTAlarmPanelMeter Displays an alarm text message. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF StringLabel** class that is used to specify the font and string format information associated with the panel meter. It bases the alarm text message on the alarm information in the associated **RTProcessVar** object.

Panel meter strings can be used to display an objects tag name, units string, and description.

RTStringPanelMeter Displays a string, either an arbitrary string, or a string based on string data in the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It is usually used to display a channels tag string and units string, but it can also be used to display longer descriptive strings. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF StringLabel** class that is used to specify the font and string format information associated with the panel meter.

*The **RTTimePanelMeter** can display a time/date value in any format supported by the **QCChart2D CF TimeLabel** format constants. You can also create custom format not directly supported.*

RTTimePanelMeter Displays the time/date value of the time stamp of the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF TimeLabel** class that is used to specify the font and time/date format information associated with the panel meter.

RTElapsedTimePanelMeter

Displays the elapsed time (the TimeSpan value of the time stamp in milliseconds) of the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D ElapsedTimeLabel** class that is used to specify the font and time/date format information associated with the panel meter.

RTFormControlPanelMeter

Encapsulates an **RTFormControl** object (buttons and track bars primarily, though others will also work) in a panel meter format.

Single Value Indicators

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
- **RTPlot**
  - **RTSingleValueIndicator**
    - **RTAnnunciator**
    - **RTBarIndicator**
    - **RTMeterIndicator**
      - **RTMeterArcIndicator**
      - **RTMeterNeedleIndicator**
      - **RTMeterSymbolIndicator**
    - **RTPanelMeter**
    - **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot**

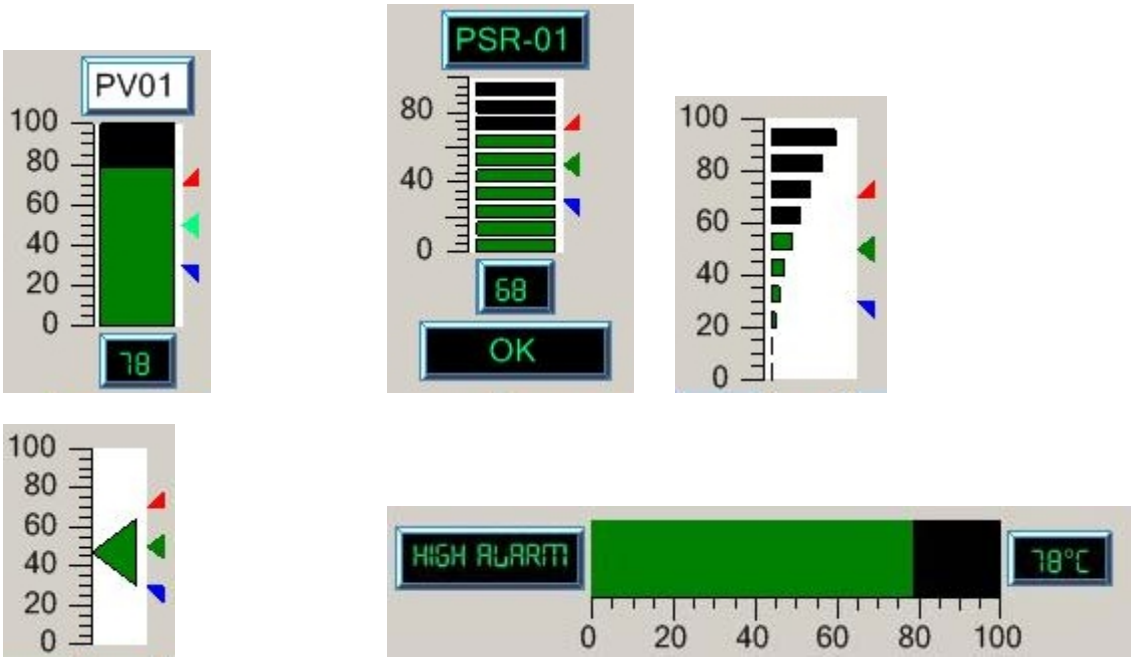
Display objects derived from the **RTSingleValueIndicator** class are attached to a single **RTProcessVar** object. This includes single channel bar indicators (which includes solid, segmented, custom and pointer bar indicators), meter indicators (which includes meter

needles, meter arcs and meter symbol indicators), single channel annunciator indicators, panel meter indicators and scrolling graph plots based on a **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** chart object. These objects can be positioned in a chart using one of the many chart coordinate systems available for positioning, including physical coordinates (PHYS_POS), device coordinates (DEV_POS), plot normalized coordinates (NORM_PLOT_POS) and graph normalized coordinates (NORM_GRAPH_POS).

An annunciator can contain any combination string, numeric and alarm panel meters. The background color of the annunciator can change in response to an alarm event.

RTAnnunciator

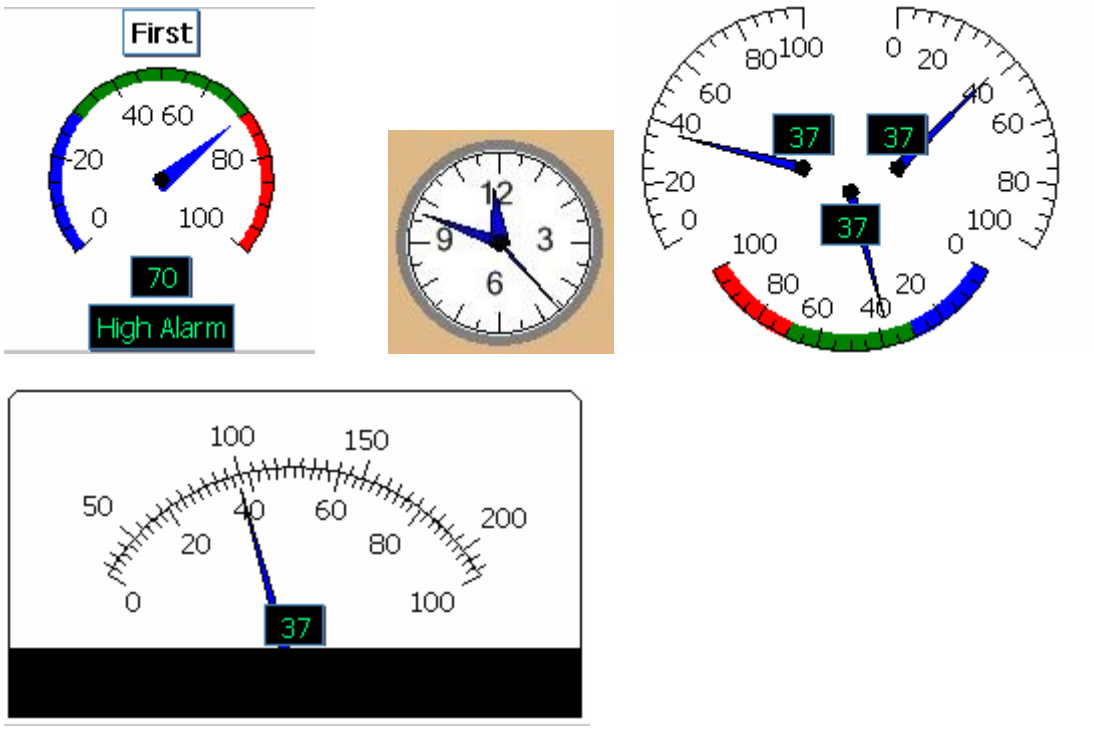
An **RTAnnunciator** is used to display the current values and alarm states of a single channel real-time data. It consists of a rectangular cell that can contain the tag name, units, current value, and alarm status message. Any of these items may be excluded. If a channel is in alarm, the background of the corresponding cell changes its color, giving a strong visual indication that an alarm has occurred.



Clockwise from top: Solid bar indicator, segmented bar indicator, custom segmented bar indicator, horizontal solid bar indicator, and pointer indicator. Only the green bars represent the bars (and pointer) represent the bar indicators. Other items also shown include axes, axis labels, panel meters, and alarm indicators.

RTBarIndicator

An **RTBarIndicator** is used to display the current value of an **RTProcessVar** using a bar changing its size. One end of each bar is always fixed at the specified base value. Bars can change their size either in vertical or horizontal direction. Sub types within the **RTBarIndicator** class support segmented bars, custom segmented bars with variable width segments, and pointer bar indicators.

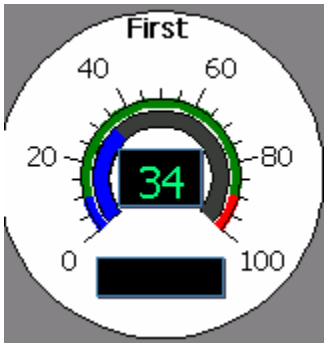


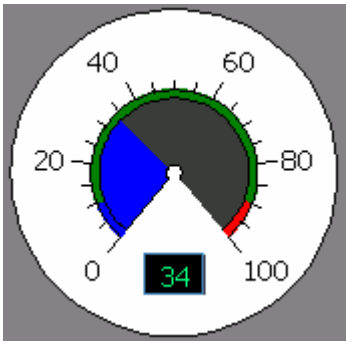
There are an infinite number of meter designs possible using a variety of meter arc ranges, meter scales, meter axes and meter indicator types

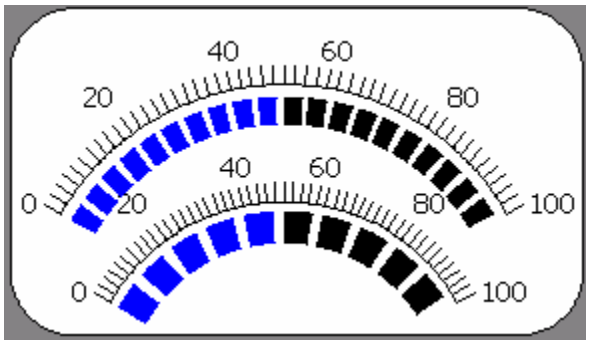
RTMeterIndicator

The **RTMeterIndicator** class is the abstract base class for all meter indicators. Familiar examples of analog meters are voltmeters, car speedometers, pressure gauges, compasses and analog clock faces. Three meter types are supported: arc, symbol, and needle meters. An unlimited number of meter indicators can be added to a given meter object. **RTPanelMeter** objects can be attached to an

RTMeterIndicator object for the display of **RTProcessVar** numeric, alarm and string data in addition to the indicator graphical display. Meter scaling, meter axes, meter axis labels and alarm objects and handle by other classes.

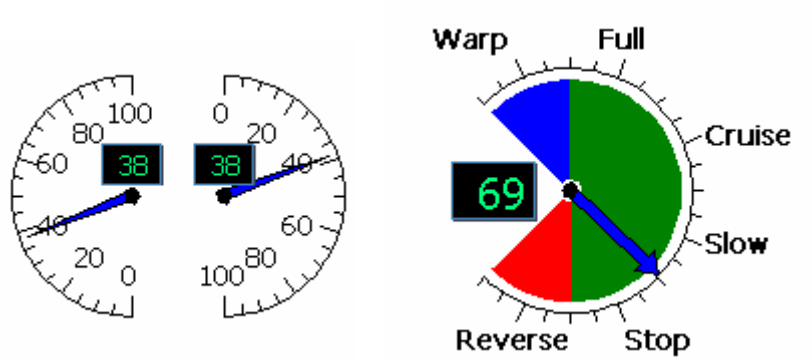






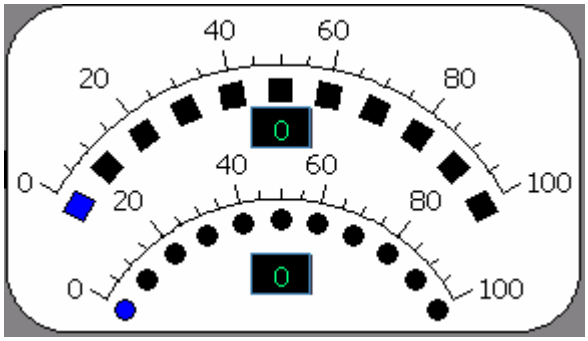
Only the blue meter arc is the arc indicator. The other elements of the meter include meter axes, meter axis labels and panel meters for the numeric, tag and alarm displays.

RTMeterArcIndicator This **RTMeterArcIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as an arc. Segmented meter arcs are one of the **RTMeterArcIndicator** subtypes.



Only the blue meter needles are the meter needle indicators. The other elements of the meter include meter axes, meter axis labels and panel meters for the numeric, tag and alarm displays.

RTMeterNeedleIndicator This **RTMeterNeedleIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as a needle. Subtypes of the **RTMeterNeedleIndicator** are simple needles, pie wedge shaped needles and arrow needles.

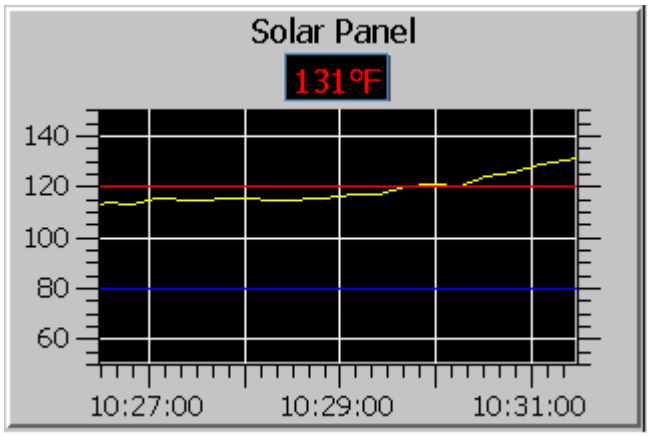


Meter symbols can be any of 10 different shapes, the symbols can have any size, and the spacing between the symbols can have any value.

RTMeterSymbolIndicator This **RTMeterSymbolIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as a symbol moving around in the meter arc. Symbols include all of the **QCChart2D CF** scatter plot symbols: SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, BAR3D, CIRCLE.

RTPanelMeter The abstract base class for the panel meter types. Panel meters based objects can be added to

RTSingleValueIndicator and **RTMultiValueIndicator** objects to enhance the graphics display with numeric, alarm and string information. The **RTNumericPanelMeter**, **RTAlarmPanelMeter**, **RTStringPanelMeter** and **RTTimePanelMeter** classes are described in the preceding section.



Any number of RTSimpleSingleValuePlot objects can be added to a scrolling graph.

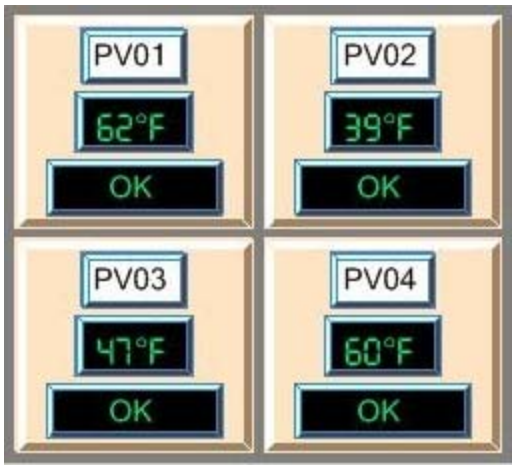
RTSimpleSingleValuePlot The **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** plot class uses a template based on the **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** class to create a real-time plot that displays **RTProcessVar** current and historical real-time data in a scrolling line, scrolling bar, or scrolling scatter plot format.

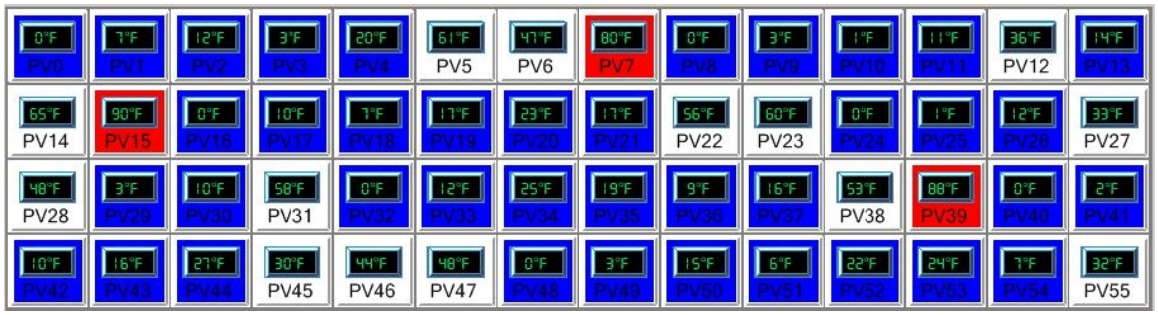
Multiple Value Indicators

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTMultiValueAnnunciator
RTMultiBarIndicator
RTGroupMultiValuePlot
RTFormControlGrid
RTScrollFrame

Display objects derived from the **RTMultiValueIndicator** class are attached to a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. This includes multi-channel bar indicators (which includes solid, segmented, custom and pointer bar indicators), multi-channel annunciator indicators, and scrolling graph plots based on a **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** chart object.

These objects can be positioned in a chart using one of the many chart coordinate systems available for positioning, including physical coordinates (PHYS_POS), device coordinates (DEV_POS), plot normalized coordinates (NORM_PLOT_POS) and graph normalized coordinates (NORM_GRAPH_POS).

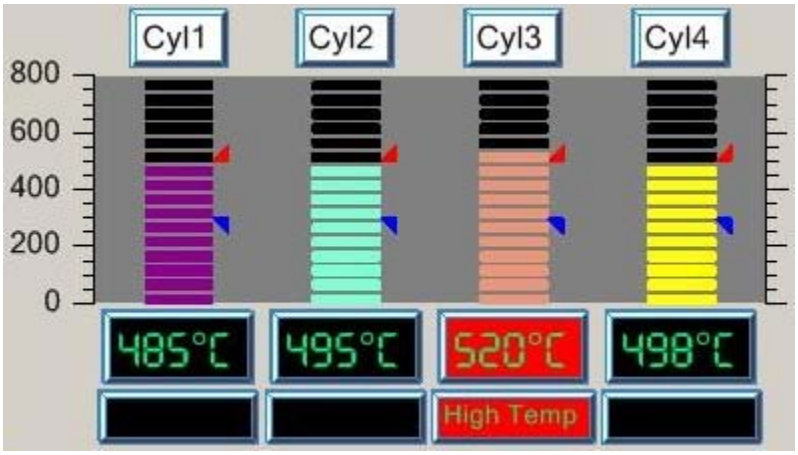




The only limit to the number of annunciator cells you can have in an ***RTMultiValueAnnunciator*** *graph is the size of the display and the readability of the text.*

RTMultiValueAnnunciator

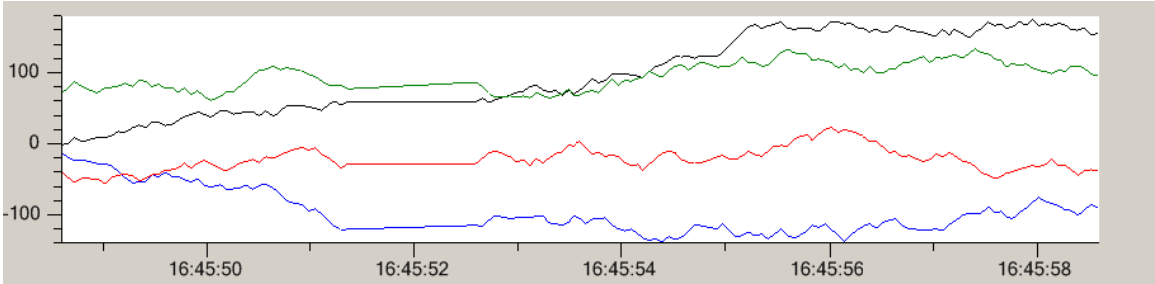
An **RTMultiValueAnnunciator** is used to display the current values and alarm states of a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. It consists of a rectangular grid with individual channels represented by the rows and columns in of the grid. Each grid cell can contain the tag name, units, current value, and alarm status message for a single **RTProcessVar** object. Any of these items may be excluded. If a channel is in alarm, the background of the corresponding cell changes its color, giving a strong visual indication that an alarm has occurred.



*Each bar in the **RTMultiBarIndicator** can have individual colors and alarm limits.*

RTMultiBarIndicator

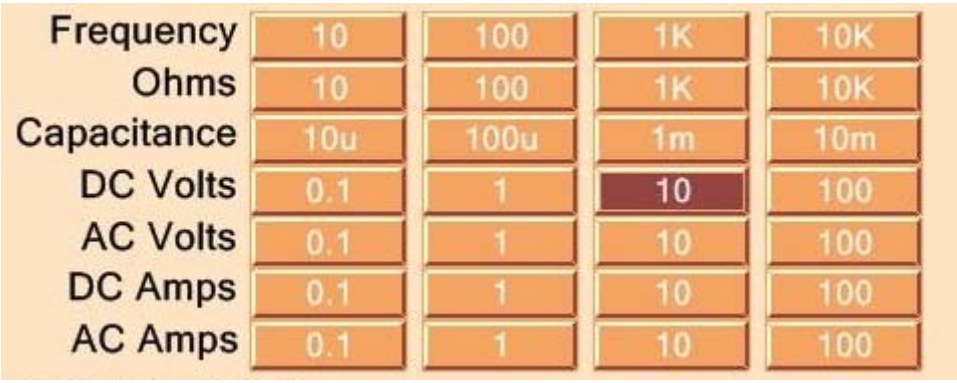
An **RTMultiBarIndicator** is used to display the current value of a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects using a group of bars changing size. The bars are always fixed at the specified base value. Bars can change their size either in vertical or horizontal direction. Sub types within the **RTMultiBarIndicator** class support segmented bars, custom segmented bars with variable width segments, and pointer bar indicators.

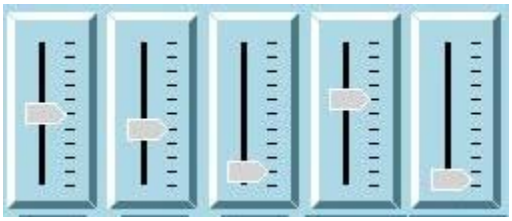


*The **RTGroupMultiValuePlot class** turns **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** objects, like the **MultiLinePlot** object above, into scrolling plots.*

RTGroupMultiValuePlot

The **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** plot class uses a template based on the **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** class to create a real-time plot that displays a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects as a group plot in a scrolling graph.





*The **RTFormControlGrid** class organizes **RTFormControl** objects functionally and visually.*

RTFormControlGrid

The **RTFormControlGrid** plot class organizes a group of **RTFormControl** objects (buttons and track bars primarily, though others will also work) in a grid format.

*This **RTScrollFrame** combines an **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** (the open-high-low-close plot) with two **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** plot.*

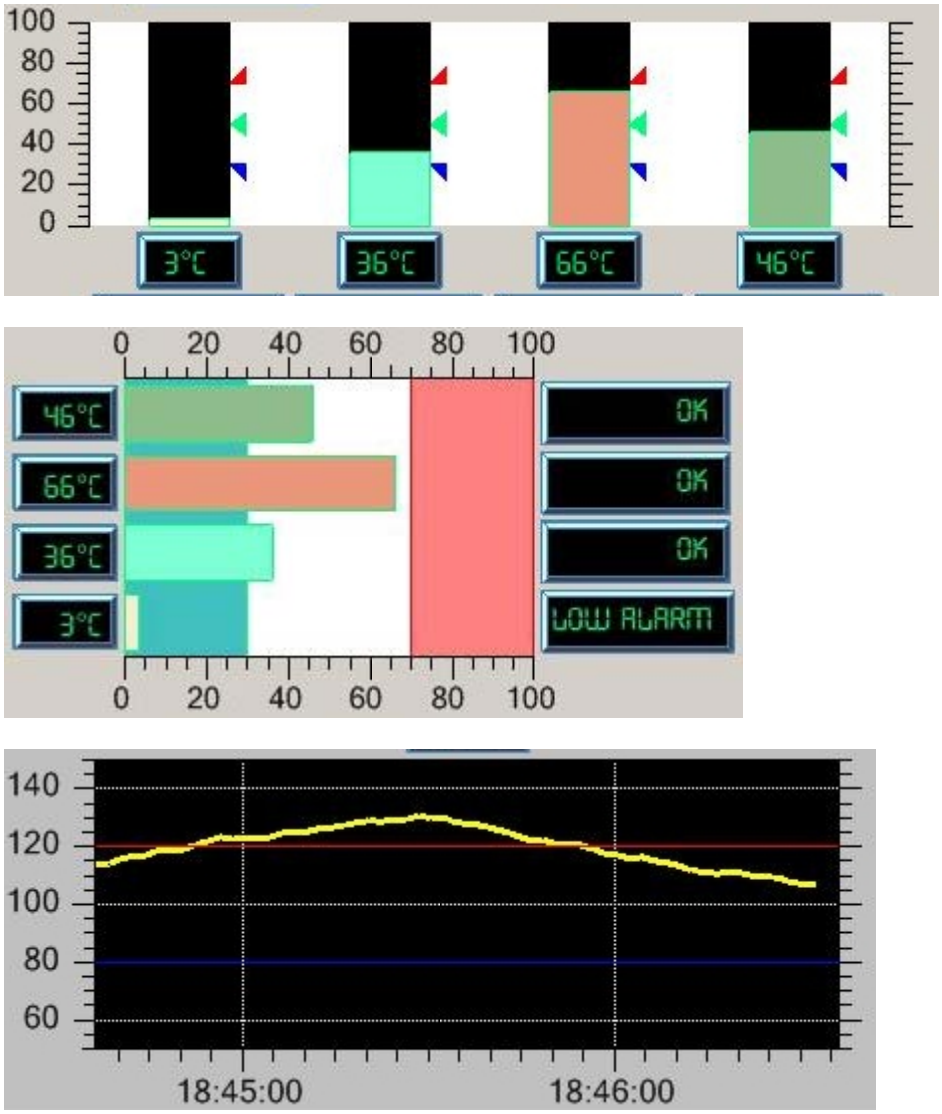
RTScrollFrame

The **RTScrollFrame** plot manages scrolling and auto-scaling for the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** objects. The **RTScrollFrame** class is discussed in more detail a couple of sections down.

Alarm Indicator Classes

RTAlarmIndicator
RTMultiAlarmIndicator

The alarm indicator classes are used to indicate alarms limits in displays that use a Cartesian (XY) coordinate system. The alarm indicators can have one of three forms: pointer style symbols, horizontal or vertical lines, or horizontal or vertical filled areas. These alarm indicator classes are not used in meter displays. Alarm limits for meter displays are handled by the **RTMeterAxis** class.



The alarm indicators can have one of three forms: pointer style symbols, horizontal or vertical lines, or horizontal or vertical filled areas.

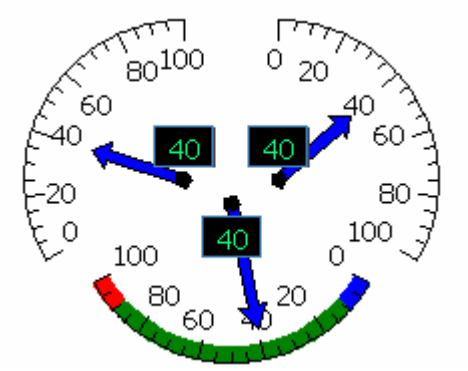
RTAlarmIndicator This class is used to provide alarm limit indicators for **RTSingleValueIndicator** objects.

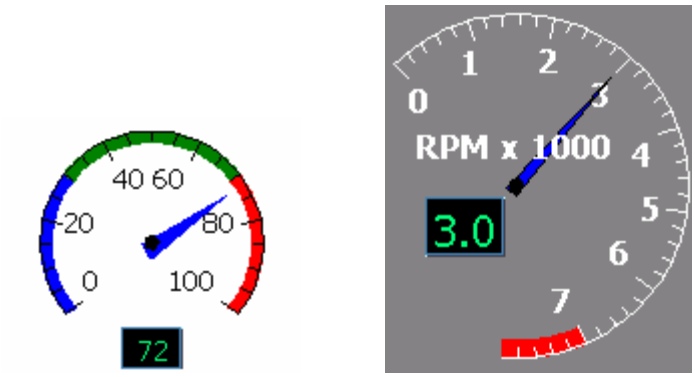
RTMultiAlarmIndicator This class is used to provide alarm limit indicators for **RTMultiValueIndicator** objects. Each indicator in a multi-indicator object can have unique alarm settings.

Meter Axis Classes

QChart2D.PolarCoordinates
RTMeterCoordinates
com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.LinearAxis
RTMeterAxis
com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.NumericAxisLabels
RTMeterAxisLabels
com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.StringAxisLabels
RTMeterStringAxisLabels

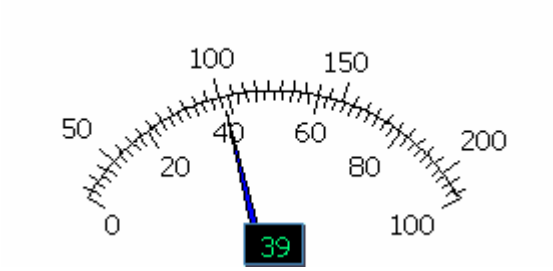
RTMeterCoordinates A meter coordinate system has more properties than a simple Cartesian coordinate system, or even a polar coordinate system. Because of the variation in meter styles, a meter coordinate system sets the start and end angle of the meter arc within the 360 degree polar coordinate system. It also maps a physical coordinate system, representing the meter scale, on top of the meter arc. And the origin of the meter coordinate system can be offset in both x- and y-directions with respect to the containing plot area.





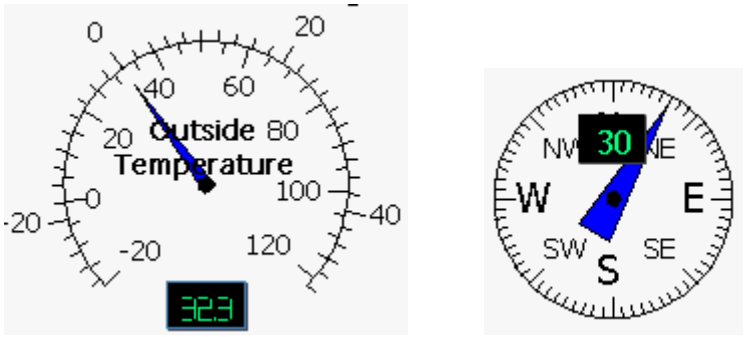
A meter axis can have any number of alarm arcs. A meter can have multiple axes representing multiple scales

RTMeterAxis A meter axis extends for the extent of the meter arc and is centered on the origin. Major and minor tick marks are placed at evenly spaced intervals perpendicular to the meter arc. The meter axis also draws meter alarm arcs using the alarm information in the associated **RTProcessVar** object.



A useful feature of multiple meter scales is the ability to display both Fahrenheit and Centigrade scales at the same time.

RTMeterAxisLabels This class labels the major tick marks of the **RTMeterAxis** class. The class supports many predefined and user-definable formats, including numeric, exponent, percentage, business and currency formats.



Meter tick mark strings can inside or outside of the meter arc.

RTMeterStringAxisLabels This class labels the major tick marks of the **RTMeterAxis** class using user-defined strings

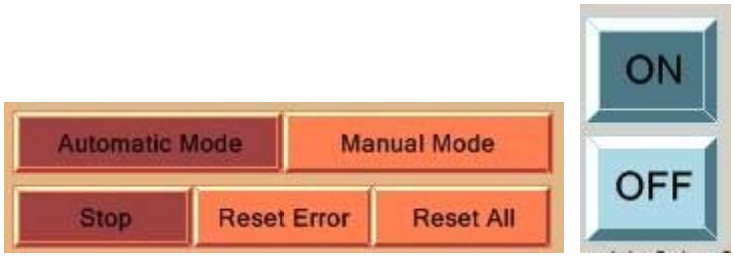
Form Control Classes

System.Windows.Forms.Button
RTControlButton
System.Windows.Forms.TrackBar
RTControlTrackBar
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartObj
RTFormControl
RTPanelMeter
RTFormControlPanelMeter
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTFormControlGrid

Real-time displays often require user interface features such as buttons and track bars. The Visual Studio .Net platform includes a large number of useful controls. The **TrackBar HScrollBar**, **VScrollBar**, **Button** and **PictureBox** controls are examples of what we refer collectively as Form Controls. Sometime though the .Net Form controls have maddening shortcomings. The **HScrollBar**, **VScrollBar** and the **TrackBar** controls have the fault that they work only with an integer range of values. The **Button** controls are momentary and require extra programming in order to use them as toggle buttons or radio buttons. The **Radio Button** class requires that they be explicitly be added to a **Group** control, which because of z-order rendering problems does not work well on our **ChartView** drawing platform.

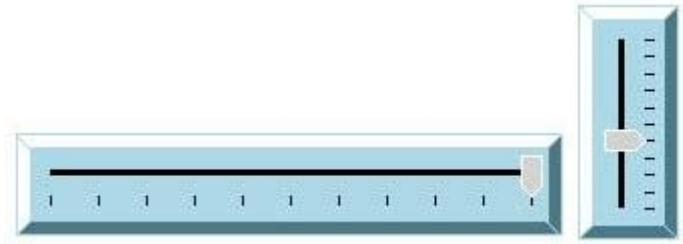
We created subclassed versions of the **TrackBar** control and the **Button** control. Our version of the **TrackBar** control is **RTControlTrackBar** and adds floating point scaling for the track bar endpoints, increments, current value and tick mark frequency. Our version of the **Button** control is **RTControlButton** adds superior On/Off button text and color control and supports momentary, toggle and radio button styles.

No matter what Form Control is used, either ours or the original .Net Form controls, it can be used in conjunction with the **RTFormControl**, **RTFormControlPanelMeter** and **RTFormControlGrid** classes.



The RTControlButton type supports momentary, toggle and radio button styles.

RTControlButton Derived from the .Net Form Control **Button** class, it adds superior On/Off button text and color control and supports momentary, toggle and radio button styles.



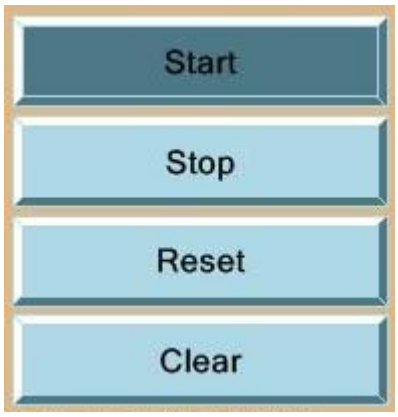
Horizontal and vertical track bars can be scaled for physical real world coordinates.

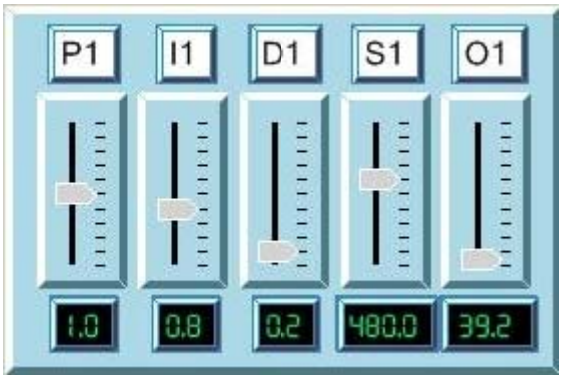
RTControlTrackBar Derived from the .Net Form Control **TrackBar** class, it adds floating point scaling for the track bar endpoints, increments, current value and tick mark frequency.

RTFormControl The **RTFormControl** class wraps the .Net Form Controls, and our **RTControlButton** and **RTControlTrackBar** controls so that they can be placed in a graph

RTFormControlPanelMeter

This panel meter class contains encapsulates an **RTFormControl** object in a panel meter class, so that controls can be added to indicator objects.



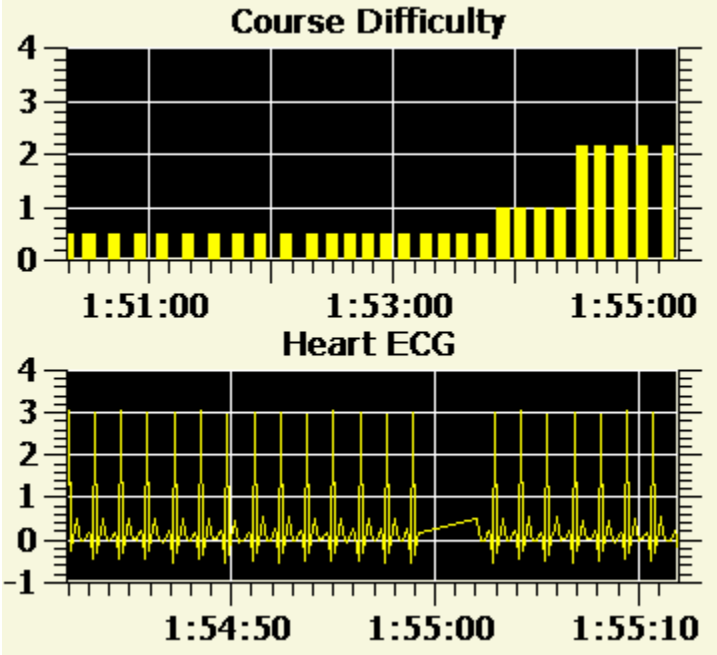


RTFormControlGrid *objects are arranged in a row x column format. Additional panel meter objects (numeric and string panel meters in the track bar example above) can be attached to the primary control grid object.*

RTFormControlGrid The **RTFormControlGrid** organizes a collection of **RTFormControl** objects functionally and visually in a grid format. An **RTControlButton** must be added to an **RTFormControlGrid** before the radio button processes of the **RTControlButton** will work.

Scroll Frame Class

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTScrollFrame
RTVerticalScrollFrame

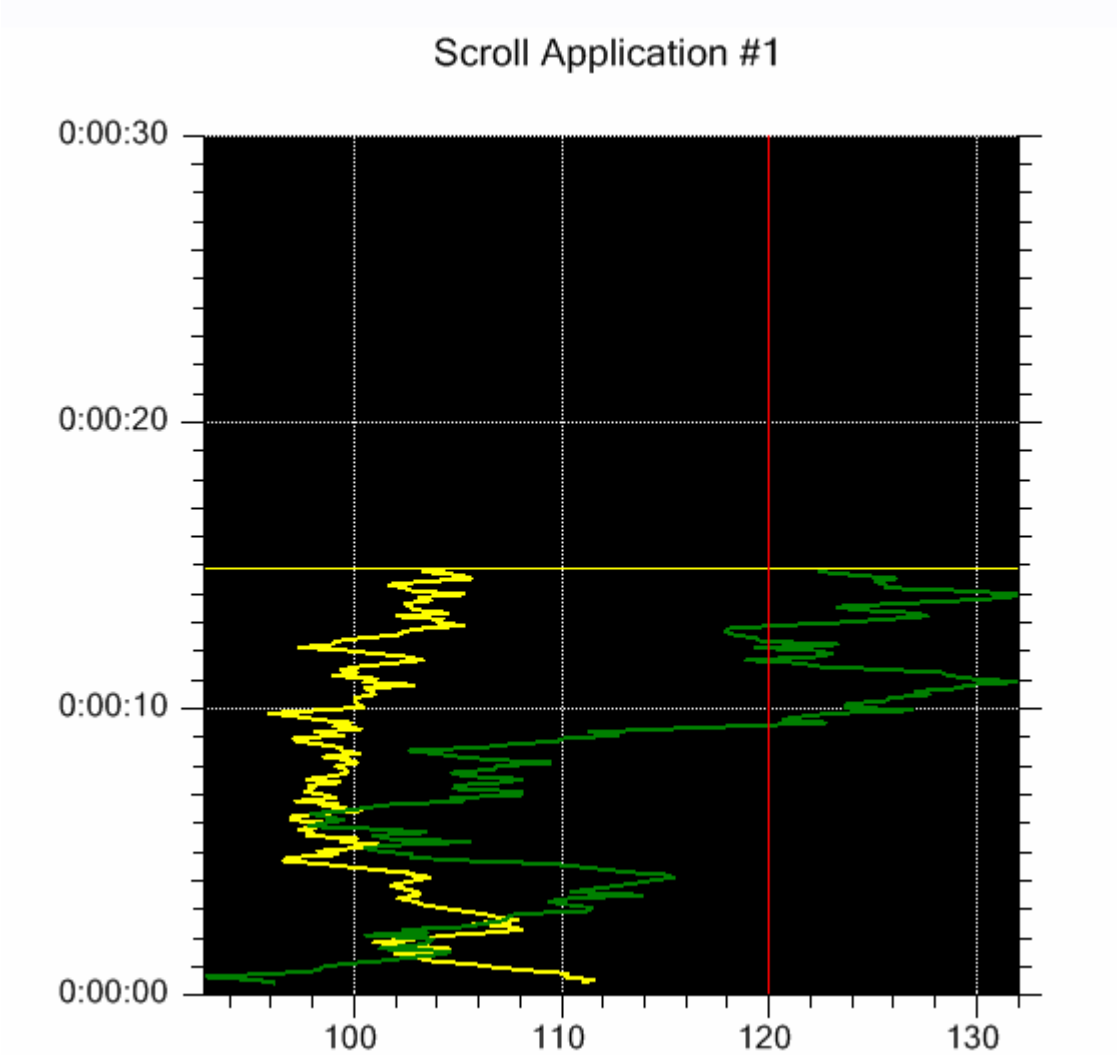


A display can have multiple scroll frames. The frames can be in separate plots and update in a synchronized fashion, or they can overlap the same plotting area.

RTScrollFrame

The scrolling algorithm used in this software is different that in earlier Quinn-Curtis real-time graphics products. Scrolling plots are no longer updated incrementally whenever the underlying data is updated. Instead, the underlying **RTProcessVar** data objects are updated as fast as you want. Scrolling graphs (all graphs for that matter) are only updated with the **ChartView.UpdateDraw**() method is called. What makes scrolling graphs appear to scroll is the scroll frame (**RTScrollFrame**). When a scroll frame is updated as a result of the **ChartView.UpdateDraw**() event, it analyze the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** objects that have been attached to it and creates a coordinate system that matches the current and historical data associated with the plot objects. The plot objects in the scroll frame are drawn into this coordinate system. As data progresses forward in time the coordinate system is constantly being rescaled to include the most recent time values as part of the x-coordinate system. You can control whether or not the starting point of the scroll frame coordinate system remains fixed, whether it advances in sync with the constantly changing end of the scroll frame. Other options allow the y-scale to be constantly rescaled to

reflect the current dynamic range of the y-values in the scroll frame.



An example of a vertical elapsed time scroll frame.

RTVerticalScrollFrame

The **RTScrollFrame** has the limitation that it can only manage horizontal scrolling. The **RTVerticalScrollFrame** is much the same as **RTScrollFrame**, only it manages scrolling in the vertical direction. The **RTVerticalScrollFrame** vertically scrolls data with a numeric, time/date or elapsed time, time stamp.

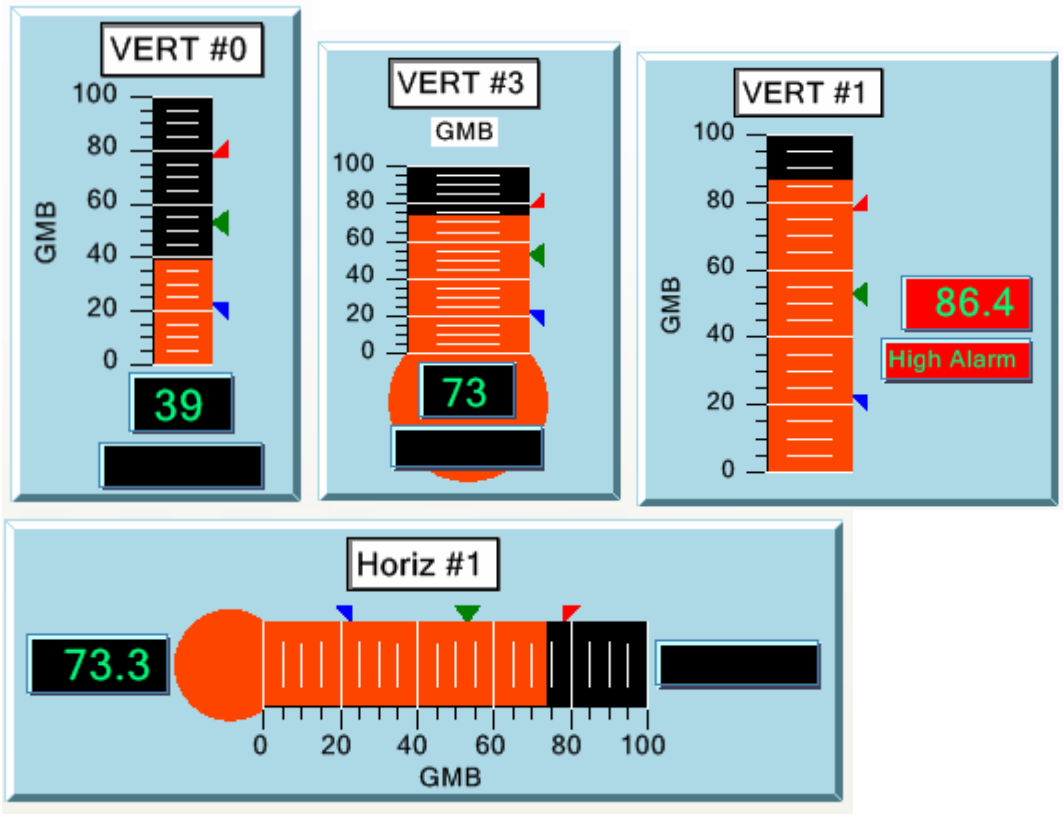
Auto Indicator Classes

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet.ChartView

RTAutoIndicator

RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator
RTAutoMeterIndicator
RTAutoDialIndicator
RTAutoClockIndicator
RTAutoPanelMeterInicator

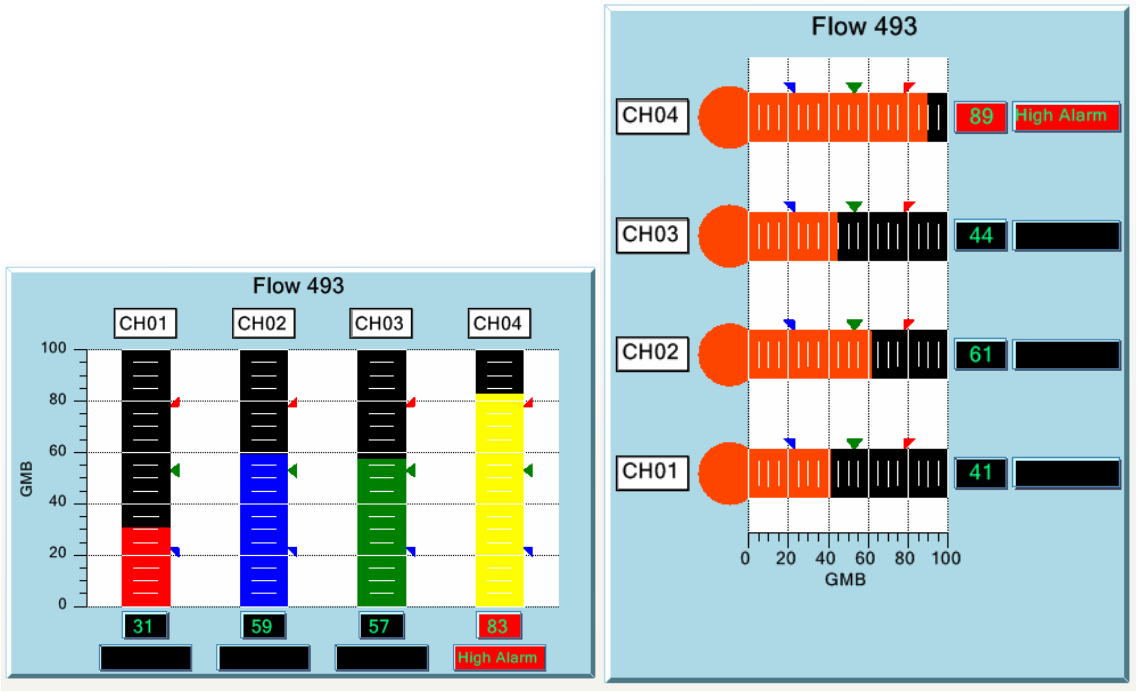
The **ChartView** class is the base class for the self contained auto-indicator classes. Each real-time indicator is placed in its own **ChartView** derived window, along with all other objects typically associated the indicator (axes, labels, process variables, alarms, titles, etc.). Since **ChartView** is derived from **UserControl**, you can place as many auto-indicator classes on a form as you want.



The RTAutoBarIndicator has many different format options for self-contained, single channel, bar indicators.

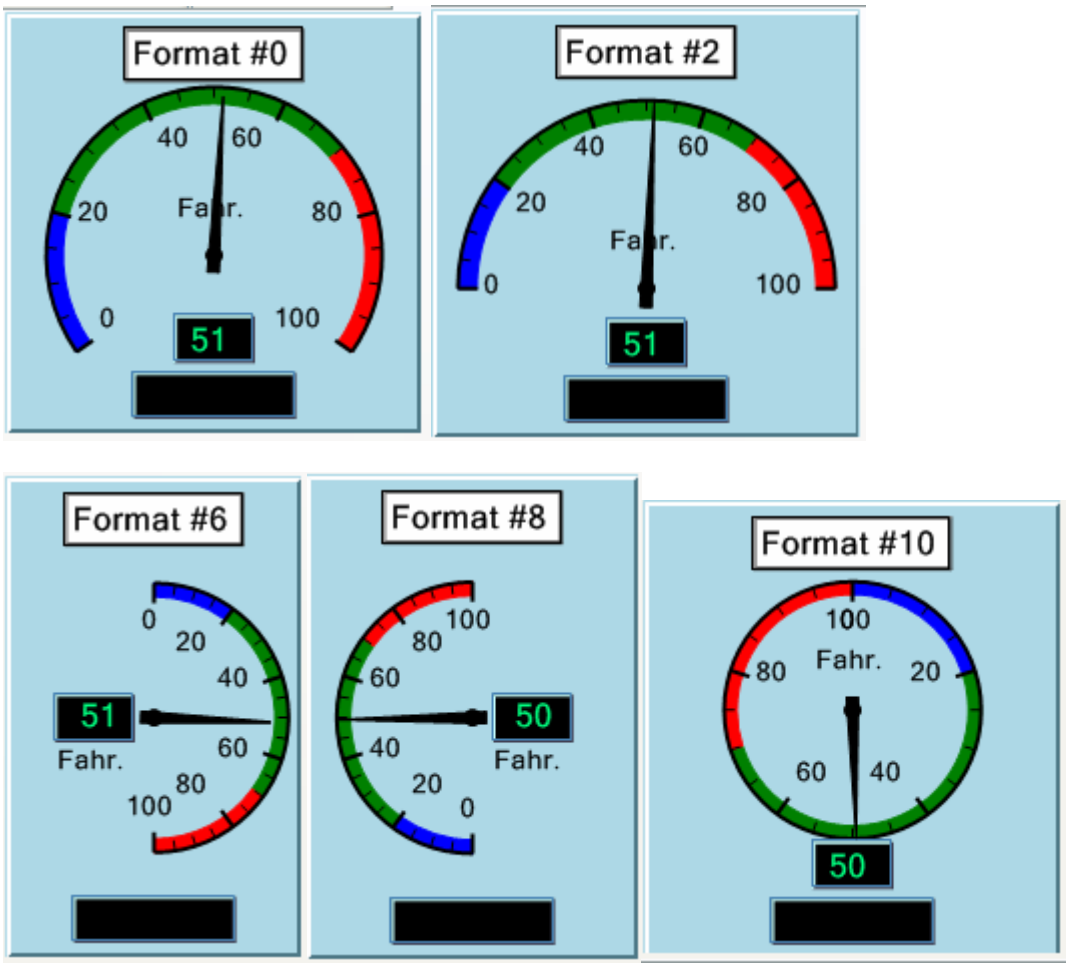
RTAutoBarIndicator

An **RTAutoBarIndicator** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display the current value of a single channel of real-time data, and includes as options a numeric readout, alarm status readout, title, units, alarm indicators, and a bar end bulb. The indicator can be horizontal or vertical, with four different format options for each.



The RTAutoMultiBarIndicator displays multiple channels of real-time data in a single chart.

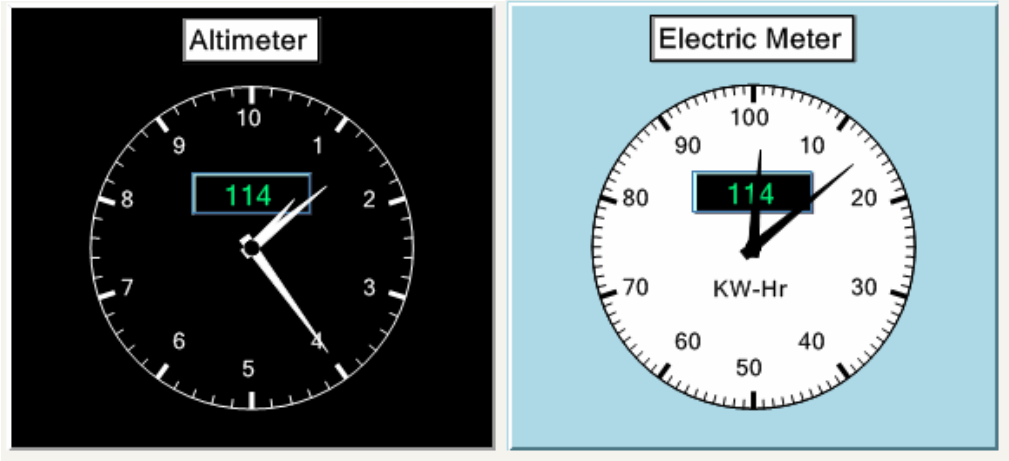
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator An **RTAutoMultiBarIndicator** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display the current values of multiple channels of real-time data, and includes as options numeric readouts, alarm status readouts, channel names, title, units, alarm indicators, and bar end bulbs. The indicator can be horizontal or vertical with two format options for each.



The RTAutoMeterIndicator has many different format options for self-contained, single channel, meter indicators.

RTAutoMeterIndicator

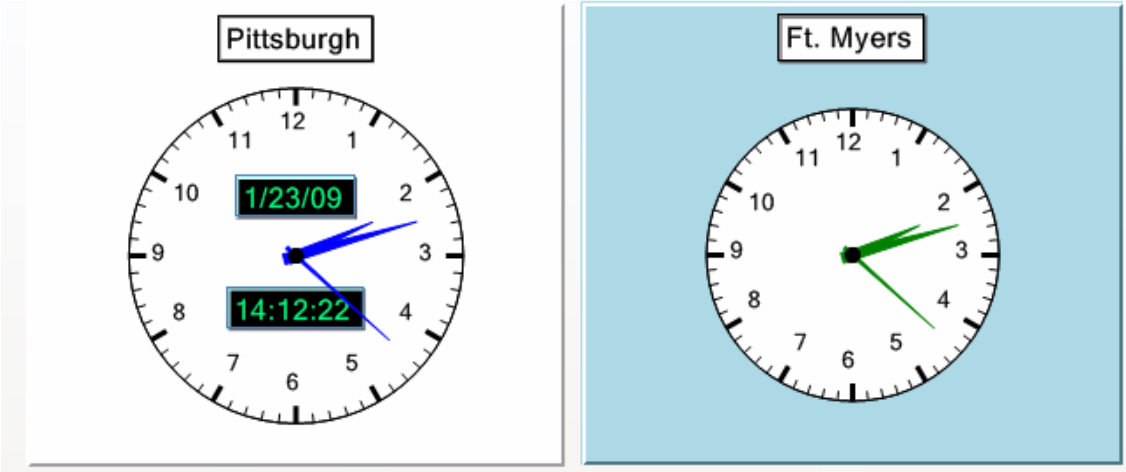
An **RTAutoMeterIndicator** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display the current value of a single channel of real-time data, and includes as options a numeric readout, alarm status readout, title, units, and alarm arcs. There are twelve different auto meter formats.



The RTAutoDialIndicator is able to take a single numeric value and divide it into multiple needle values.

RTAutoDialIndicator

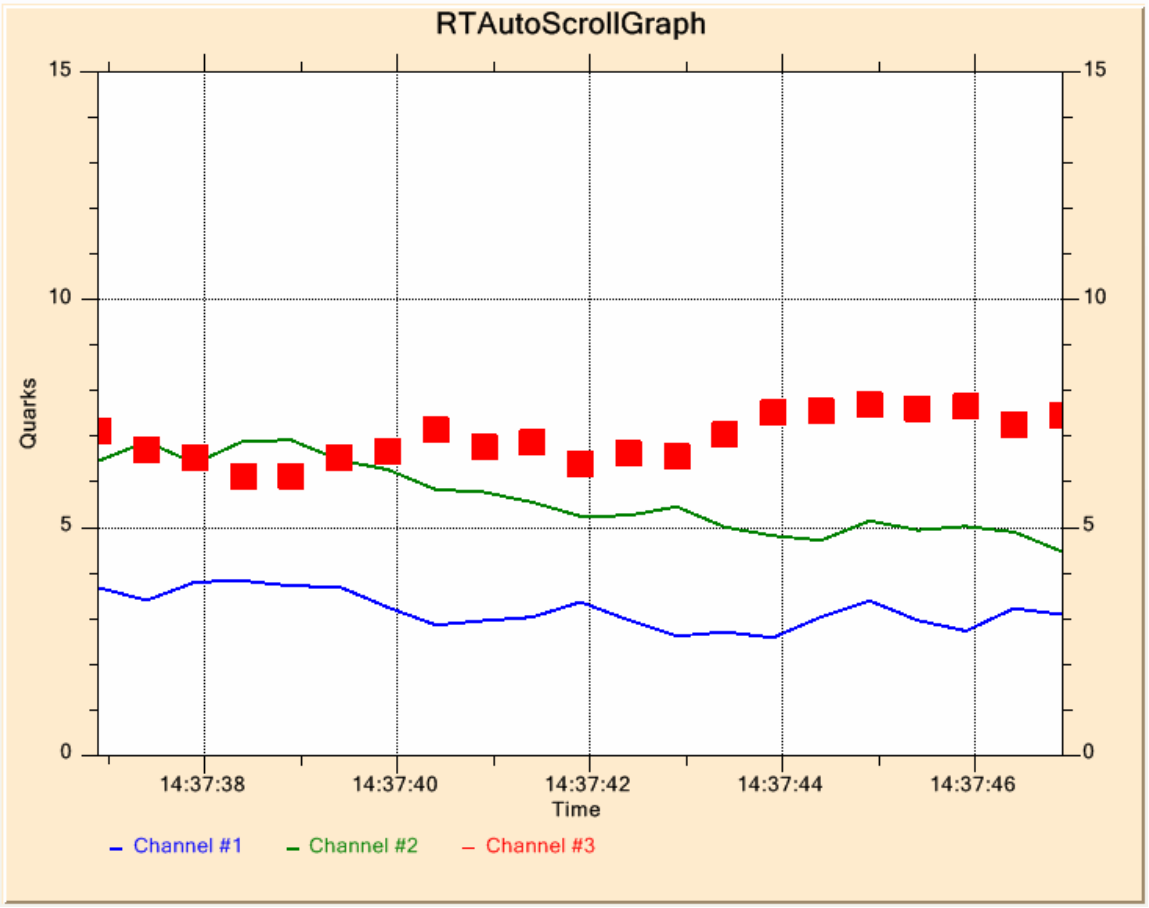
An **RTAutoDialIndicator** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display the values of up to three channels of real-time data, and includes as options a numeric readout, alarm status readout, title, and units.



The RTAutoClockIndicator can display the time and date in numeric format.

RTAutoClockIndicator

An **RTAutoClockIndicator** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display the values of up to three channels of real-time data, and includes as options a numeric readout, alarm status readout, title, and units.



RTAutoScrollGraph

An **RTAutoScrollGraph** is a self contained control derived from the **ChartView** user control. It is used to display real-time data in a variety of plot formats: line plots, bar plots, scatter plots and line marker plots. Options include a horizontal or vertical display, automatic legend, a main title, and axis titles.

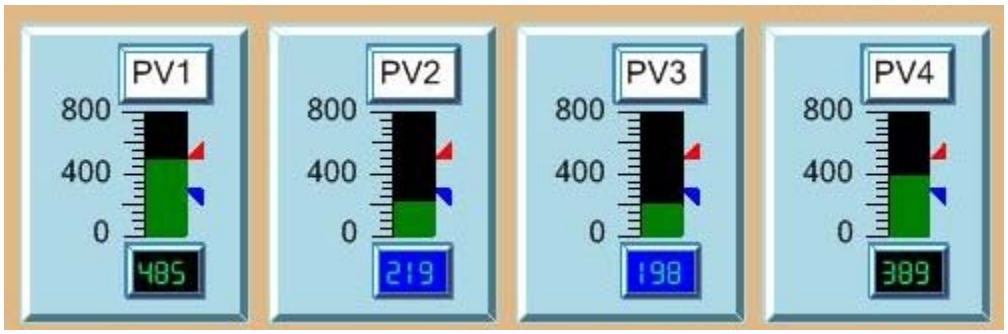
Miscellaneous Classes

Support classes are used to display special symbols used for alarm limits in the software, special round and rectangular shapes that can be used as backdrops for groupings of chart objects and PID control.

Miscellaneous Classes

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RT3DFrame
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTGenShape
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartObj
RTPIDControl

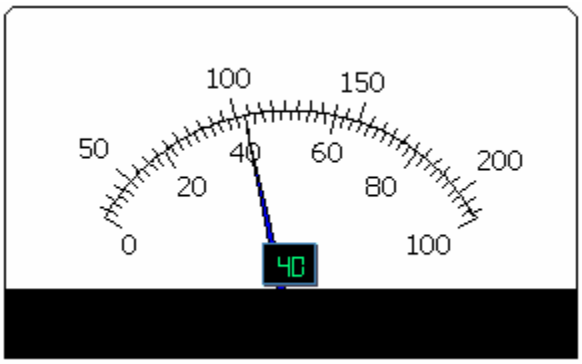
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTSymbol
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartText
RTTextFrame

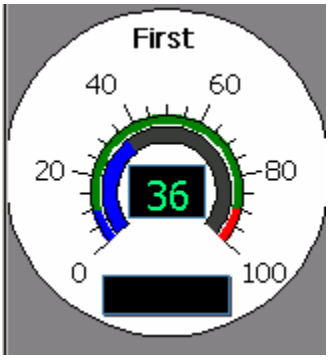


*The raised light blue panels are created using **RT3DFrame** objects.*

RT3DFrame

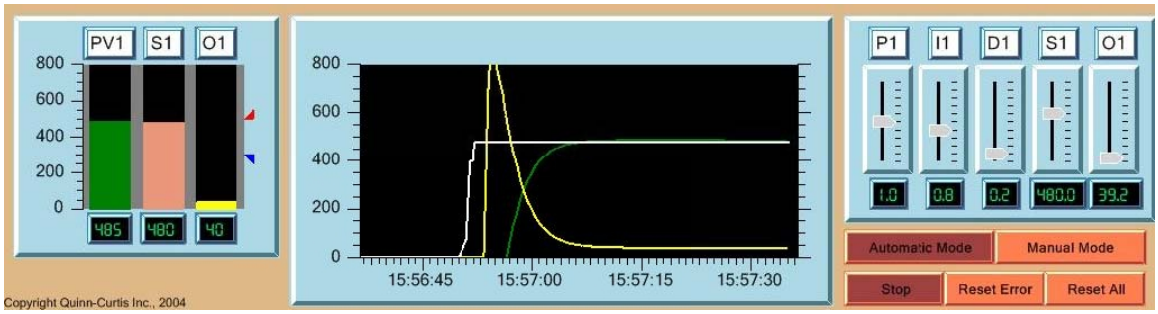
This class is used to draw 3D borders and provide the background for many of the other graph objects, most noticeably the **RTPanelMeter** classes. It can also be used directly in your program to provide 3D frames the visually group objects together in a faceplate format.





*The border rectangles in the top graph and the border circle in the bottom graph were created using **RTGenShape** objects.*

RTGenShape — This class is used to draw filled and unfilled rectangles, rectangles with rounded corners, general ellipses and aspect ratio corrected circles. These shapes can be used by the programmer to add visual enhancements to graphs.



A complete PID Control tuning center can be created using the PID control tools, bar indicators, scroll frames, buttons and track bars.

RTPIDControl — This class represents a simple control loop with support for proportional, integral and derivative control. It includes advanced features for anti-reset windup, error term smoothing, error term reset and rate limiting of control outputs.

RTSymbol — This class is used by the **RTAlarmIndicator** class to draw the alarm indicator symbols.

RTTextFrame — This adds a 3D border to the standard **QCChart2D CF ChartText** text object and recalculates justification parameters to take into account the thickness of the border. It is used by the **RTPanelMeter** classes to display text.

3. QCChart2D CF for *.Net* Class Summary

This chapter is a summary of the information in the **QCChart2DNetCFManual** PDF file. It is not meant to replace that information. Refer to that manual for detailed information concerning these classes.

The following categories of classes form the core of the **QCChart2D CF** software.

Chart view class	The chart view class is a **UserControl** subclass that manages the graph objects placed in the graph
Data classes	There are data classes for simple xy and group data types. There are also data classes that handle **System.DateTime** date/time data and contour data.
Scale transform classes	The scale transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a single dimension.
Coordinate transform classes	The coordinate transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a parametric (2D) coordinate system.
Attribute class	The attribute class encapsulates the most common attributes (line color, fill color, line style, line thickness, etc.) for a chart object.
Auto-Scale classes	The coordinate transform classes use the auto-scale classes to establish the minimum and maximum values used to scale a 2D coordinate system. The axis classes also use the auto-scale classes to establish proper tick mark spacing values.
Charting object classes	The chart object classes includes all objects placeable in a chart. That includes axes, axes labels, plot objects (line plots, bar graphs, scatter plots, etc.), grids, titles, backgrounds, images and arbitrary shapes.
Mouse interaction classes	These classes, directly and indirectly **System.EventHandler** delegates that trap mouse events and permit the user to create and move data cursors, move plot objects, display tooltips and select data points in all types of graphs.
File and printer rendering	Not supported under **.Net Compact Framework**.

Miscellaneous utility classes Other classes use these for data storage, file I/O, and data processing.

A summary of each category appears in the following section.

Chart Window Classes

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView

The starting point of a chart is the **ChartView** class. The **ChartView** class derives from the .Net **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl** class**,** where the **Userontrol** class is the base class for the .Net collection of standard components such as menus, buttons, check boxes, etc. The **ChartView** class manages a collection of chart objects in a chart and automatically updates the chart objects when the underlying window processes a paint event. Since the **ChartView** class is a subclass of the **UserControl** class, it acts as a container for other .Net CF components too.

Data Classes

ChartDataset
SimpleDataset
TimeSimpleDataset
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
ContourDataset
GroupDataset
TimeGroupDataset
ElapsedTimeGroupDataset

The dataset classes organize the numeric data associated with a plotting object. There are two major types of data supported by the **ChartDataset** class. The first is simple xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value. The second data type is group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values.

ChartDataset The abstract base class for the other dataset classes. It contains data common to all of the dataset classes, such as the x-value array, the number of x-values, the dataset name and the dataset type.

SimpleDataset	Represents simple xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value.
TimeSimpleDataset	A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it uses **ChartCalendar** dates (a wrapper around the System.DateTime value class) as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values.
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset	A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it is initialized with **TimeSpan** objects, or milliseconds, in place of the x- or y-values.
ContourDataset	A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it adds a third dimension (z-values) to the x- and y- values of the simple dataset.
GroupDataset	Represents group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values.
TimeGroupDataset	A subclass of **GroupDataset**, it uses **ChartCalendar** dates (a wrapper around the System.DateTime value class) as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values.
ElapsedTimeGroupDataset	A subclass of **GroupDataset**, it uses **TimeSpan** objects, or milliseconds, as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values.

Scale Classes

ChartScale

- **LinearScale**
- **LogScale**
- **TimeScale**
- **ElapsedTimeScale**

The **ChartScale** abstract base class defines coordinate transformation functions for a single dimension. It is useful to be able to mix and match different scale transform functions for x- and y-dimensions of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class. The job of a **ChartScale** derived object is to convert a dimension from the current *physical* coordinate system into the current *working* coordinate system.

LinearScale	A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. It converts a linear physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system.
LogScale	A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. It converts a logarithmic physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system.
TimeScale	A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. converts a date/time physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system.
ElapsedTimeScale	A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. converts an elapsed time coordinate system into the working coordinate system.

Coordinate Transform Classes

UserCoordinates
- **WorldCoordinates**
  - **WorkingCoordinates**
    - **PhysicalCoordinates**
      - **CartesianCoordinates**
        - **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**
        - **PolarCoordinates**
        - **AntennaCoordinates**
      - **TimeCoordinates**

The coordinate transform classes maintain a 2D coordinate system. Many different coordinate systems are used to position and draw objects in a graph. Examples of some of the coordinate systems include the device coordinates of the current window, normalized coordinates for the current window and plotting area, and scaled physical coordinates of the plotting area.

UserCoordinates	This class manages the interface to the **System.Drawing** classes and contains routines for drawing lines, rectangles and text using .Net device coordinates.
WorldCoordinates	This class derives from the **UserCoordinates** class and maps a device independent world coordinate system on top of the .Net device coordinate system.

WorkingCoordinates	This class derives from the **WorldCoordinates** class and extends the physical coordinate system of the *plot area* (the area typically bounded by the charts axes) to include the complete *graph area* (the area of the chart outside of the *plot area*).
PhysicalCoordinates	This class is an abstract base class derived from **WorkingCoordinates** and defines the routines needed to map the physical coordinate system of a plot area into a working coordinate system. Different scale objects (**ChartScale** derived) are installed for converting physical x- and y-coordinate values into working coordinate values.
CartesianCoordinates	This class is a concrete implementation of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot linear, logarithmic and semi-logarithmic graphs.
TimeCoordinates	This class is a concrete implementation of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot **GregorianCalendar** time-based data.
ElapsedTimeCoordinates	This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot elapsed time data.
PolarCoordinates	This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot polar coordinate data.
AntennaCoordinates	This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot antenna coordinate data. The antenna coordinate system differs from the more common polar coordinate system in that the radius can have plus/minus values, the angular values are in degrees, and the angular values increase in the clockwise direction.

Attribute Class

ChartAttribute

This class consolidates the common line and fill attributes as a single class. Most of the graph objects have a property of this class that controls the color, line thickness and fill attributes of the object.

ChartAttribute	This class consolidates the common line and fill attributes associated with a **GraphObj** object into a single class.

Auto-Scaling Classes

AutoScale
- **LinearAutoScale**
- **LogAutoScale**
- **TimeAutoScale**
- **ElapsedTimeAutoScale**

Usually, programmers do not know in advance the scale for a chart. Normally the program needs to analyze the current data for minimum and maximum values and create a chart scale based on those values. Auto-scaling, and the creation of appropriate axes, with endpoints at even values, and well-rounded major and minor tick mark spacing, is quite complicated. The **AutoScale** classes provide tools that make automatic generation of charts easier.

AutoScale	This class is the abstract base class for the auto-scale classes.
LinearAutoScale	This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **SimpleDataset** and **GroupDataset** objects. Linear scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations.
LogAutoScale	This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **SimpleDataset** and **GroupDataset** objects. Logarithmic scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations.
TimeAutoScale	This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the **ChartCalendar** values in **TimeSimpleDataset** and **TimeGroupDataset** objects. Date/time scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations.
ElapsedTimeAutoScale	This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric

values in **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** and **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset** objects. The elapsed time classes use it for auto-scale calculations.

Chart Object Classes

Chart objects are graph objects that can be rendered in the current graph window. This is in comparison to other classes that are purely calculation classes, such as the coordinate conversion classes. All chart objects have certain information in common. This includes instances of **ChartAttribute** and **PhysicalCoordinates** classes. The **ChartAttribute** class contains basic color and line style information for the object, while the **PhysicalCoordinates** maintains the coordinate system used by object. The majority of classes in the library derive from the **GraphObj** class, each class a specific charting object such as an axis, an axis label, a simple plot or a group plot. Add **GraphObj** derived objects (axes, plots, labels, title, etc.) to a graph using the **ChartView.AddChartObject** method.

GraphObj — This class is the abstract base class for all drawable graph objects. It contains information common to all chart objects. This class includes references to instances of the **ChartAttribute** and **PhysicalCoordinates** classes. The **ChartAttribute** class contains basic color and line style information for the object, while the **PhysicalCoordinates** maintains the coordinate system used by object. The majority of classes in the library derive from the **GraphObj** class, each class a specific charting object such as an axis, an axis label, a simple plot or a group plot

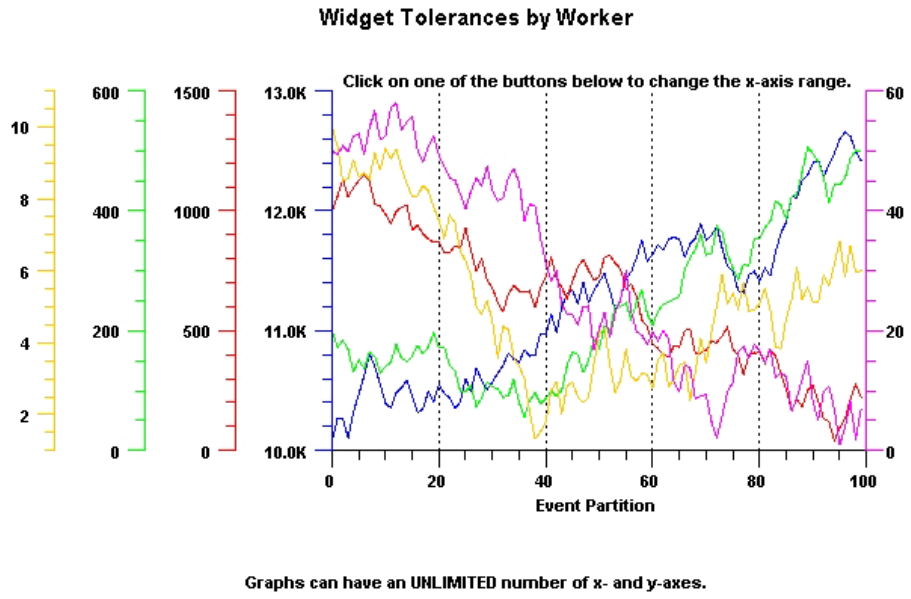
Background — This class fills the background of the entire chart, or the plot area of the chart, using a solid color, a color gradient, or a texture.

Axis Classes

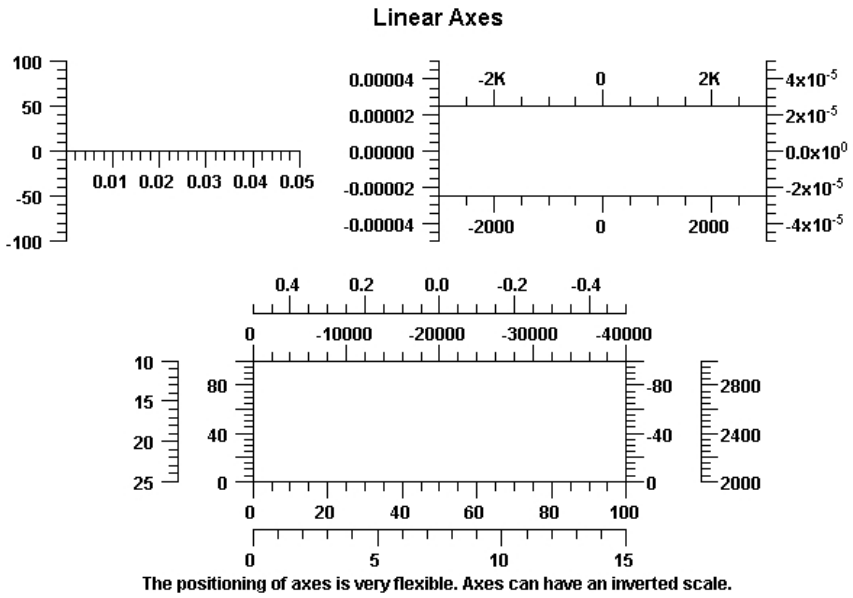
Axis
- **LinearAxis**
  - **PolarAxes**
  - **AntennaAxes**
  - **ElapsedTimeAxis**
- **LogAxis**

TimeAxis

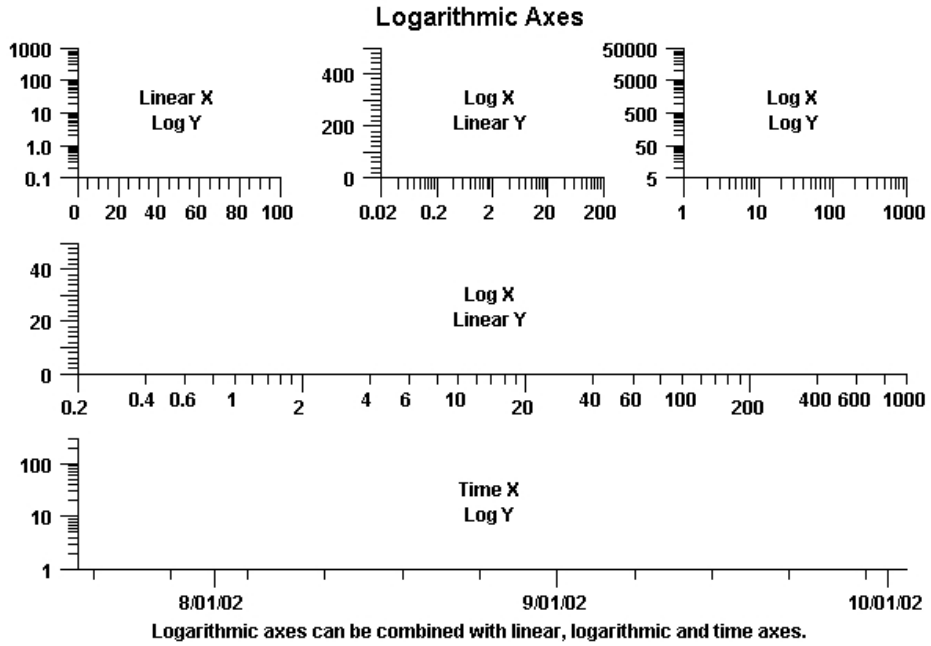
Creating a **PhysicalCoordinates** coordinate system does not automatically create a pair of x- and y-axes. Axes are separate charting objects drawn with respect to a specific **PhysicalCoordinates** object. The coordinate system and the axes do not need to have the same limits. In general, the limits of the coordinate system should be greater than or equal to the limits of the axes. The coordinate system may have limits of 0 to 15, while you may want the axes to extend from 0 to 10.



Axis This class is the abstract base class for the other axis classes. It contains data and drawing routines common to all axis classes.

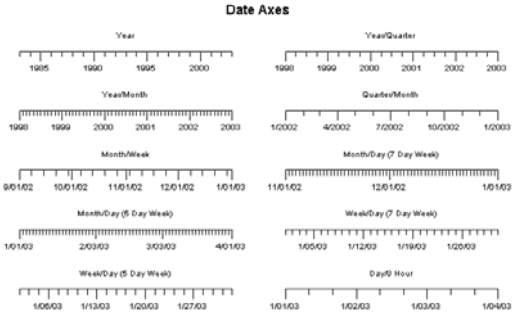


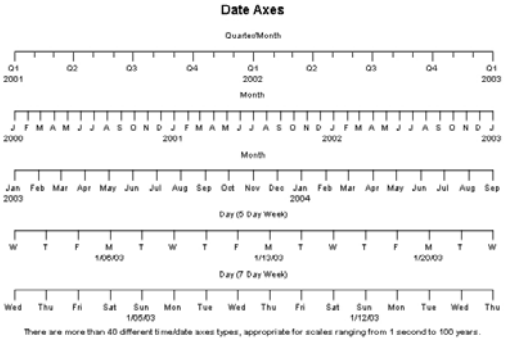
LinearAxis This class implements a linear axis with major and minor tick marks placed at equally spaced intervals.



LogAxis

This class implements a logarithmic axis with major tick marks placed on logarithmic intervals, for example 1, 10,100 or 30, 300, 3000. The minor tick marks are placed within the major tick marks using linear intervals, for example 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 20, 30, 40, 50,.., 90. An important feature of the **LogAxis** class is that the major and minor tick marks do not have to fall on decade boundaries. A logarithmic axis must have a positive range exclusive of 0.0, and the tick marks can represent any logarithmic scale.




Date Axes
Quarter/Month
Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1
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Month
J F M A M J J A S O N D J F M A M J J A S O N D J F M A M J J A S O N D J
2000 2001 2002 2003
Month
Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep
2003 2004
Day (5 Day Week)
W T F M T W T F M T W T F M T W
1/05/03 1/12/03 1/20/03
Day (7 Day Week)
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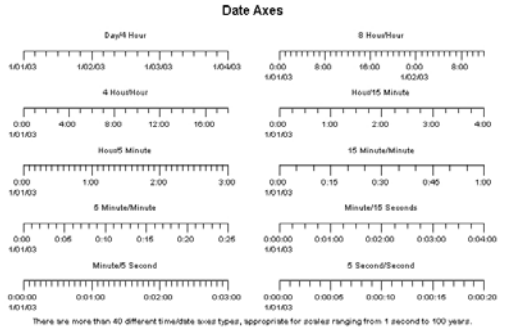
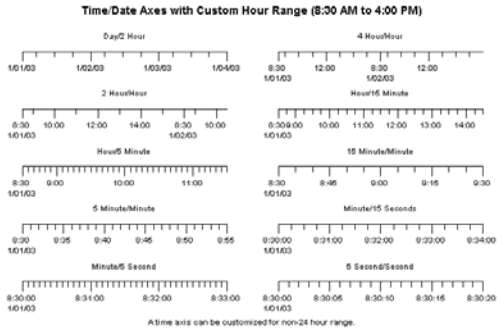
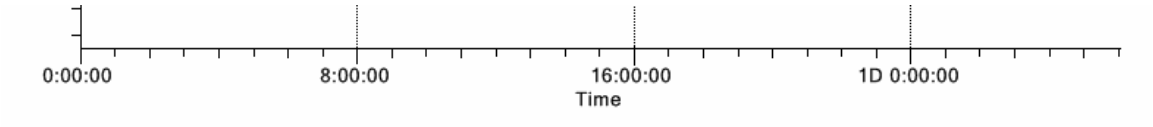
1/05/03 1/12/03
There are more than 40 different time/date axes types, appropriate for scales ranging from 1 second to 100 years.





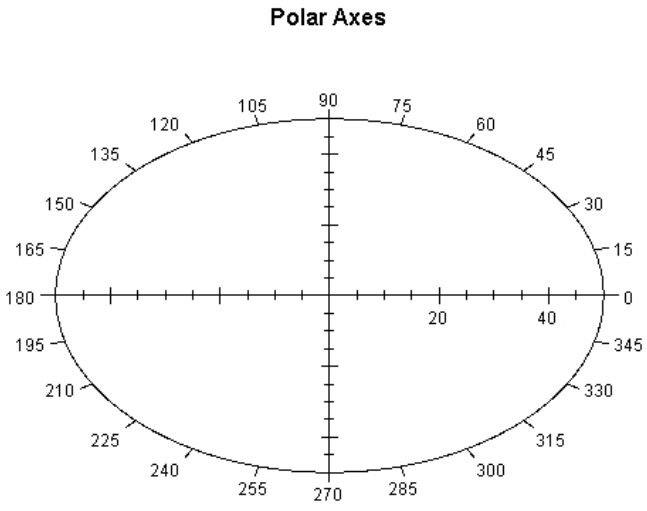
TimeAxis

This class is the most complex of the axis classes. It supports time scales ranging from 1 millisecond to hundreds of years. Dates and times are specified using the **ChartCalendar** class. The major and minor tick marks can fall on any time base, where a time base represents seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months or years. The scale can exclude weekends, for example, Friday, October 20, 2000 is immediately followed by Monday, October 23, 2000. A day can also have a custom range, for example a range of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The chart time axis excludes time outside of this range. This makes the class very useful for the inter-day display of financial market information (stock, bonds, commodities, options, etc.) across several days, months or years.



ElapsedTimeAxis

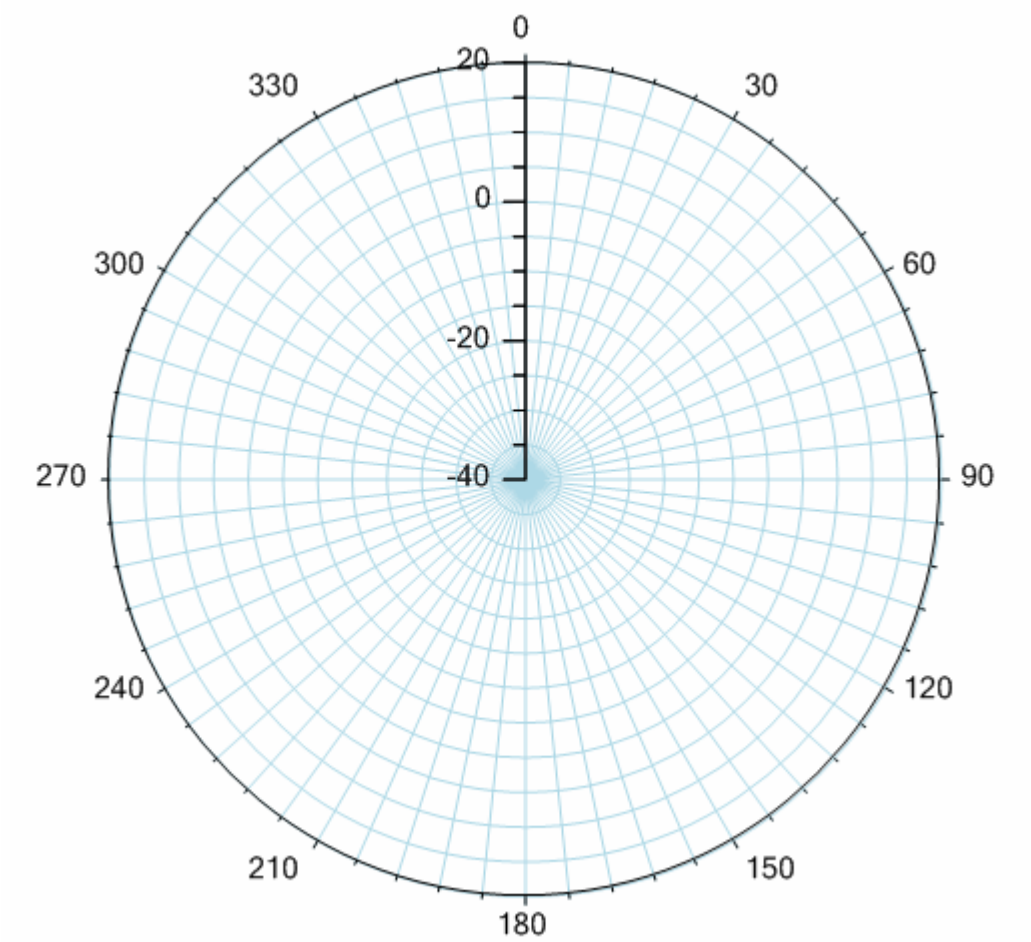
The elapsed time axis is very similar to the linear axis and is subclassed from that class. The main difference is the major and minor tick mark spacing calculated by the CalcAutoAxis method takes into account the base 60 of seconds per minute and minutes per hour, and the base 24 of hours per day. It is a continuous linear scale.



A polar axis consists of the x and y axis for magnitude, and the outer circle for the angle.

PolarAxes

This class has three separate axes: two linear and one circular. The two linear axes, scaled for +- the magnitude of the polar scale, form a cross with the center of both axes at the origin (0, 0. The third axis is a circle centered on the origin with a radius equal to the magnitude of the polar scale. This circular axis represents 360 degrees (or 2 Pi radians) of the polar scale and the tick marks that circle this axis are spaced at equal degree intervals.



AntennaAxes

This class has two axes: one linear y-axis and one circular axis. The linear axis is scaled for the desired range of radius values. This can extend from minus values to plus values. The second axis is a circle centered on the origin with a radius equal to the range of the radius scale. This circular axis represents 360 degrees of the antenna scale and the tick marks that circle this axis are spaced at equal degree intervals.

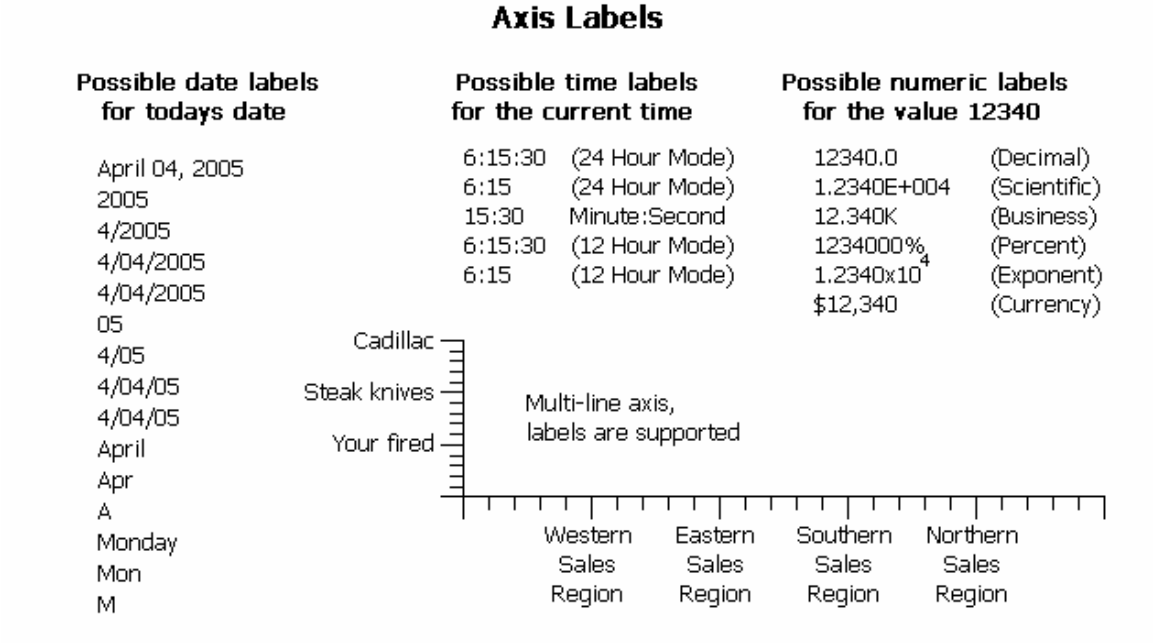
Axis Label Classes

AxisLabels

- **NumericAxisLabels**
- **StringAxisLabels**
- **PolarAxesLabels**
- **AntennaAxesLabels**

TimeAxisLabels
ElapsedTimeAxisLabels

Axis labels inform the user of the x- and y-scales used in the chart. The labels center on the major tick marks of the associated axis. Axis labels are usually numbers, times, dates, or arbitrary strings.



AxisLabels — This class is the abstract base class for all axis label objects. It places numeric labels, date/time labels, or arbitrary text labels, at the major tick marks of the associated axis object. In addition to the standard font options (type, size, style, color, etc.).

NumericAxisLabels — This class labels the major tick marks of the **LinearAxis**, and **LogAxis** classes. The class supports many predefined and user-definable formats, including numeric, exponent, percentage, business and currency formats.

StringAxisLabels — This class labels the major tick marks of the **LinearAxis**, and **LogAxis** classes using user-defined strings.

TimeAxisLabels	This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **TimeAxis** object. The class supports many time (23:59:59) and date (5/17/2001) formats. It is also possible to define custom date/time formats.
ElapsedTimeAxisLabels	This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **ElapsedTimeAxis** object. The class supports HH:MM:SS and MM:SS formats, with decimal seconds out to 0.00001, i.e. "12:22:43.01234". It also supports a cumulative hour format (101:51:22), and a couple of day formats (4.5:51:22, 4D 5:51:22).
PolarAxesLabels	This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **PolarAxes** object. The x-axis is labeled from 0.0 to the polar scale magnitude, and the circular axis is labeled counter clockwise from 0 to 360 degrees, starting at 3:00.
AntennaAxesLabels	This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **AntennaAxes** object. The y-axis is labeled from the radius minimum to the radius maximum. The circular axis is labeled clockwise from 0 to 360 degrees, starting at 12:00.

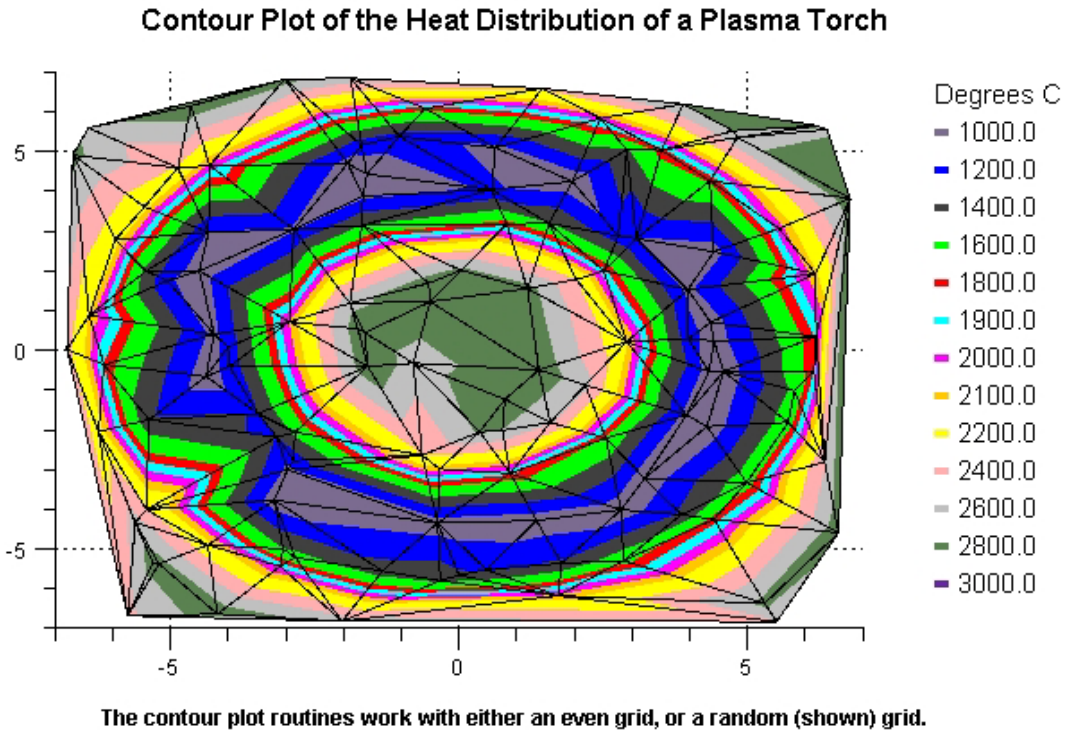
Chart Plot Classes

ChartPlot
- **ContourPlot**
- **GroupPlot**
- **PieChart**
- **PolarPlot**
- **AntennaPlot**
- **SimplePlot**

Plot objects are objects that display data organized in a **ChartDataset** class. There are six main categories: simple, group, polar, antenna, contour and pie plots. Simple plots graph data organized as a simple set of xy data points. The most common examples of simple plots are line plots, bar graphs, scatter plots and line-marker plots. Group plots graph data organized as multiple y-values for each x-value. The most common examples of group plots are stacked bar graphs, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, floating stacked bar plots and "box and whisker" plots. Polar charts plot data organized as a simple set of data points, where each data point represents a polar magnitude and angle pair, rather than xy Cartesian coordinate values. The most common example of polar

charts is the display of complex numbers (a + b*i*), and it is used in many engineering disciplines. Antenna charts plot data organized as a simple set of data points, where each data point represents a radius value and angle pair, rather than xy Cartesian coordinate values. The most common example of antenna charts is the display of antenna performance and specification graphs. The contour plot type displays the iso-lines, or contours, of a 3D surface using either lines or regions of solid color. The last plot object category is the pie chart, were a pie wedge represents each data value. The size of the pie wedge is proportional to the fraction (data value / sum of all data values).

ChartPlot This class is the abstract base class for chart plot objects. It contains a reference to a **ChartDataset** derived class containing the data associated with the plot.



The contour plot routines work with either an even grid, or a random (shown) grid.

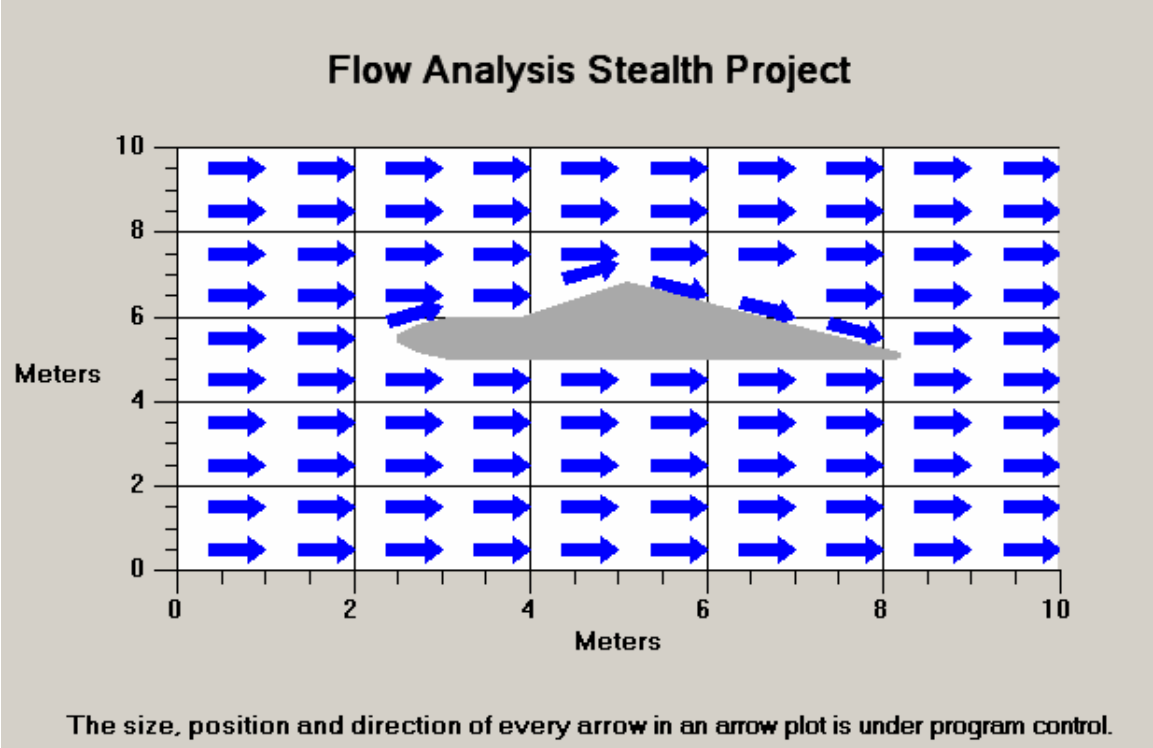
ContourPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartPlot** class and displays a contour plot using either lines, or regions filled with color.

Group Plot Classes

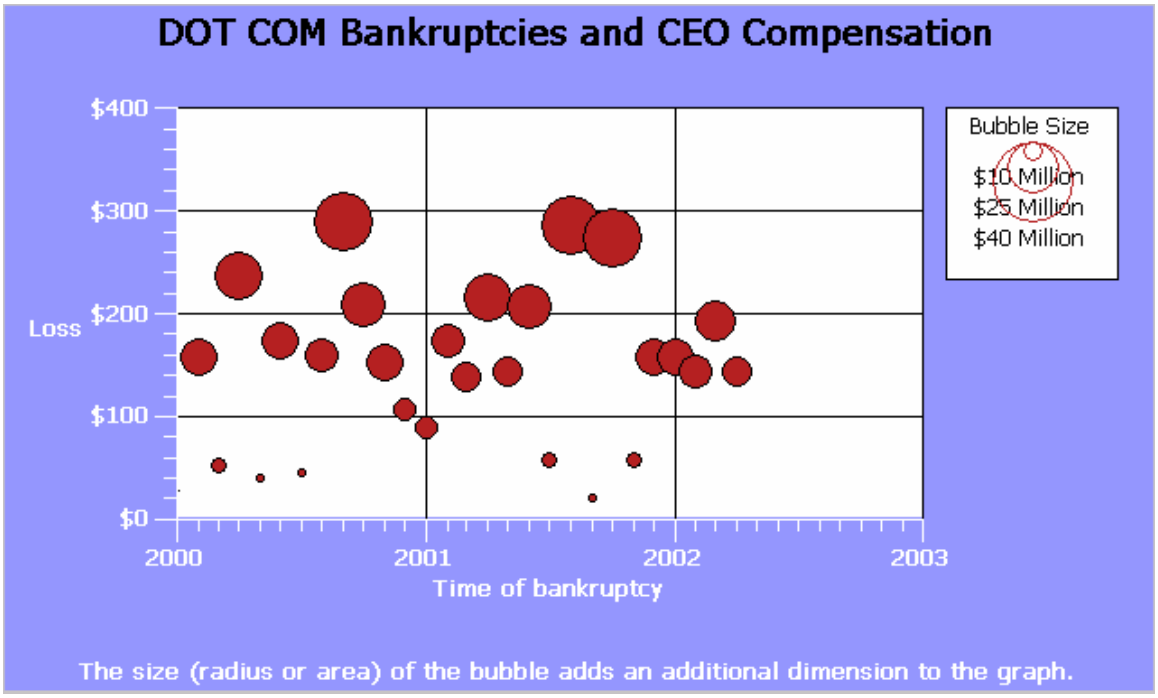
GroupPlot
- **ArrowPlot**
- **BoxWhiskerPlot**
- **BubblePlot**
- **CandlestickPlot**
- **CellPlot**
- **ErrorBarPlot**
- **FloatingBarPlot**
- **FloatingStackedBarPlot**
- **GroupBarPlot**
- **GroupVersaPlot**
- **HistogramPlot**
- **LineGapPlot**
- **MultiLinePlot**
- **OHLCPlot**
- **StackedBarPlot**
- **StackedLinePlot**
- **GroupVeraPlot**

Group plots use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where there is one or more y for every x.. Group plot types include multi-line plots, stacked line plots, stacked bar plots, group bar plots, error bar plots, floating bar plots, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, arrow plots, histogram plots, cell plots and bubble plots.

GroupPlot	This class is an abstract base class for all group plot classes.

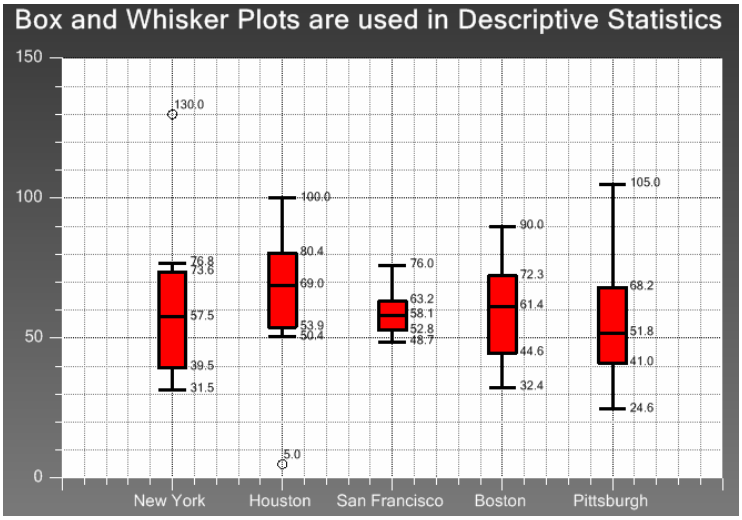


ArrowPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and it displays a collection of arrows as defined by the data in a group dataset. The position, size, and rotation of each arrow in the collection is independently controlled



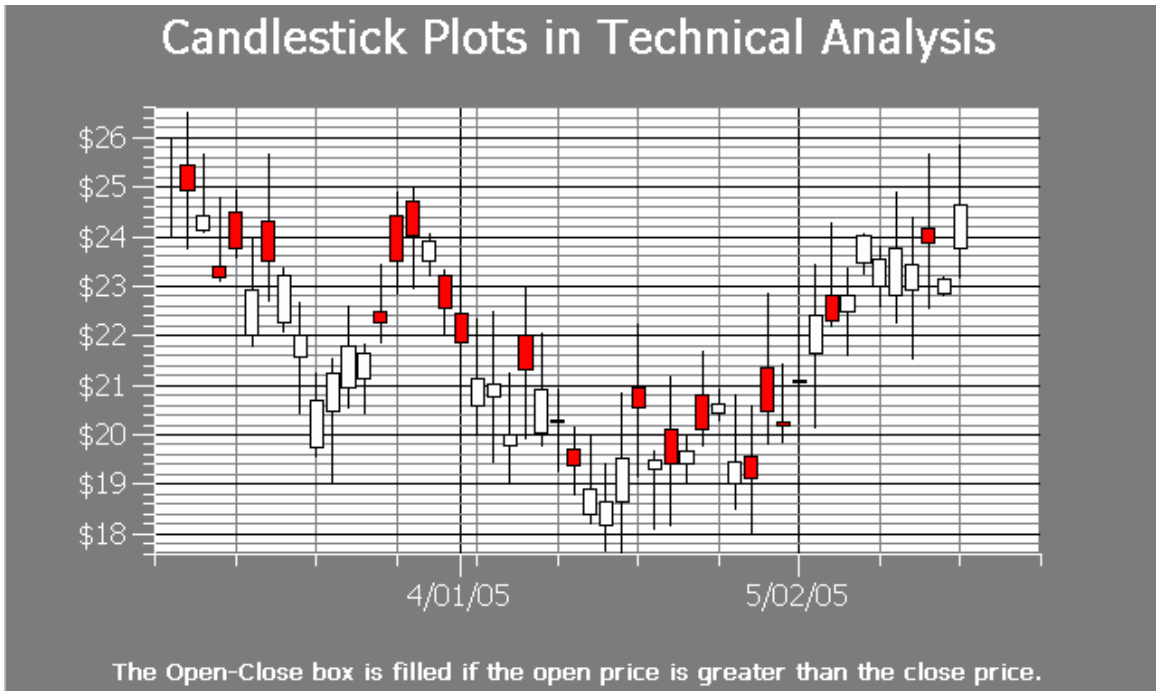
BubblePlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays bubble plots. The values in the dataset specify the position and size of each bubble in a bubble chart.

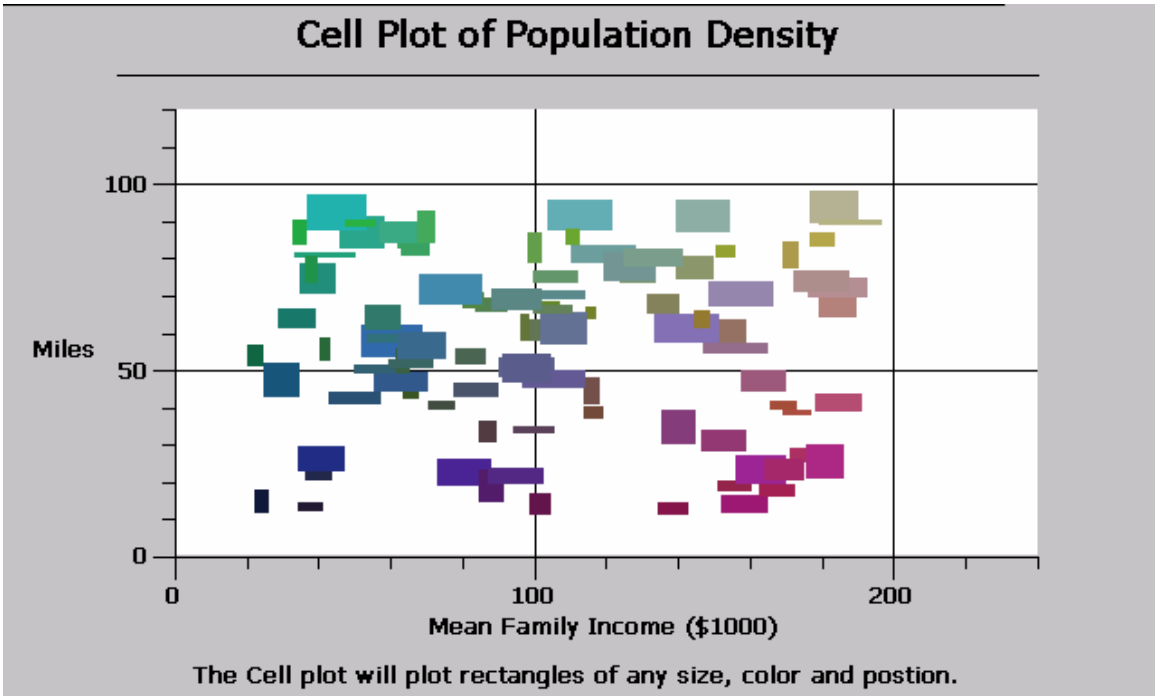


BoxWhiskerPlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays box and whisker plots. The BoxWhiskerPlot class graphically depicts groups of numerical data through their five-number summaries (the smallest observation, lower quartile (Q1), median (Q2), upper quartile (Q3), and largest observation).



CandlestickPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis.

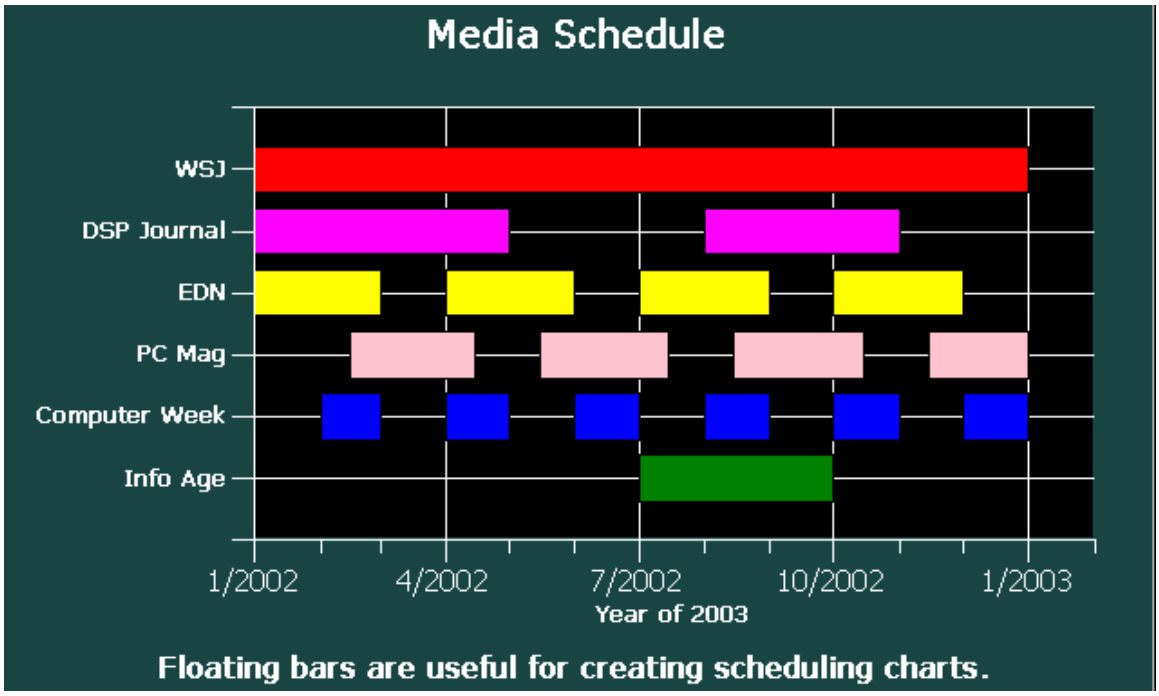


CellPlot

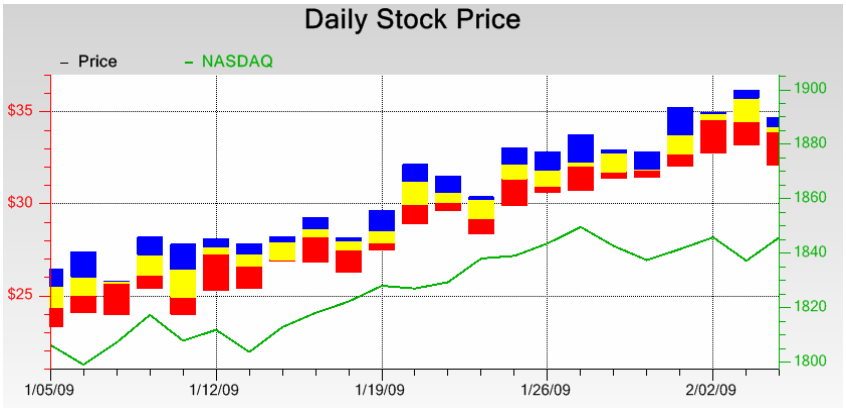
This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays cell plots. A cell plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent positions, widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset.

ErrorBarPlot

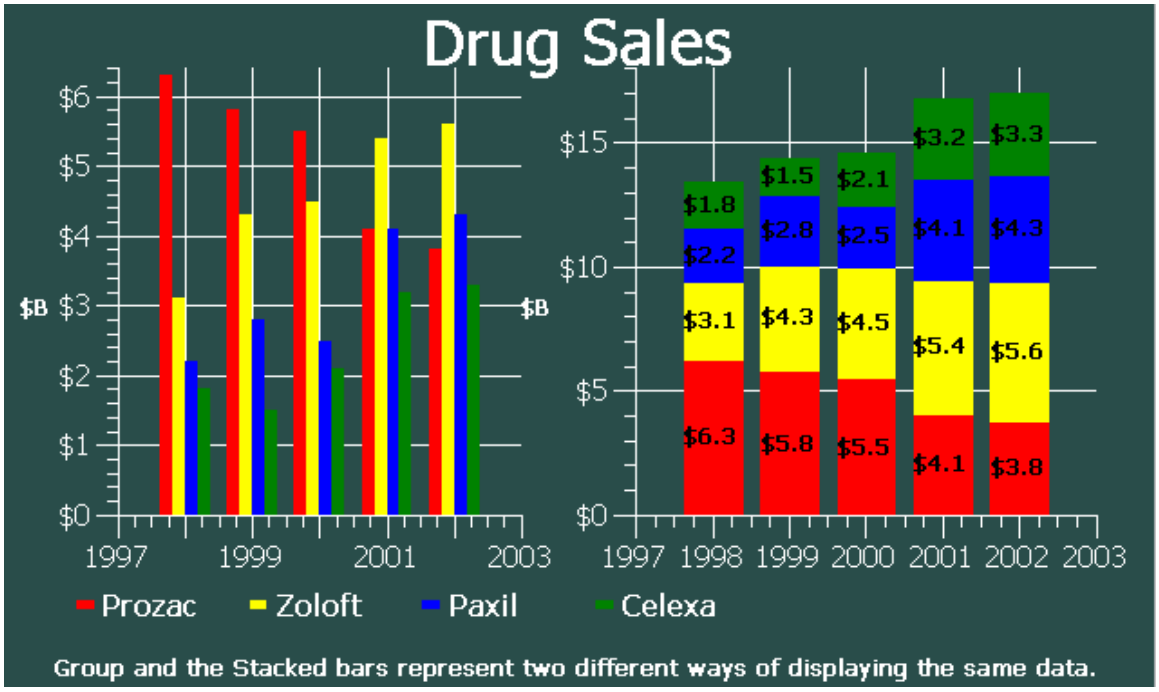
This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays error bars. Error bars are two lines positioned about a data point that signify the statistical error associated with the data point



FloatingBarPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays free-floating bars in a graph. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots.



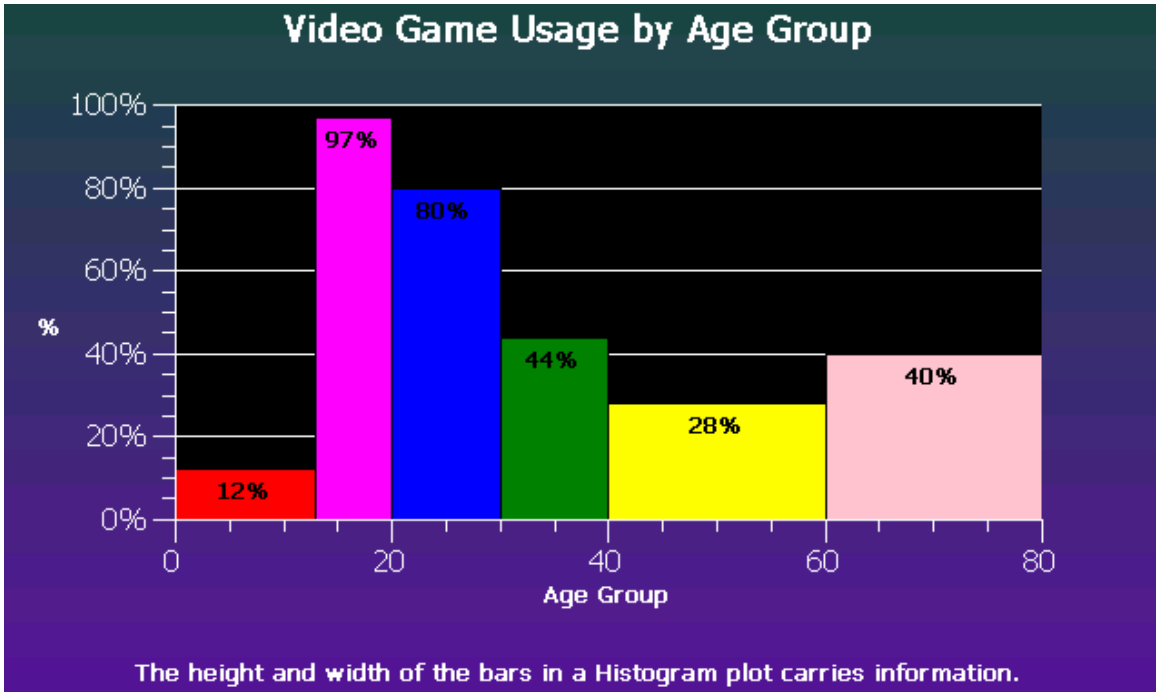
FloatingStackedBarPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays free-floating stacked bars. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots.



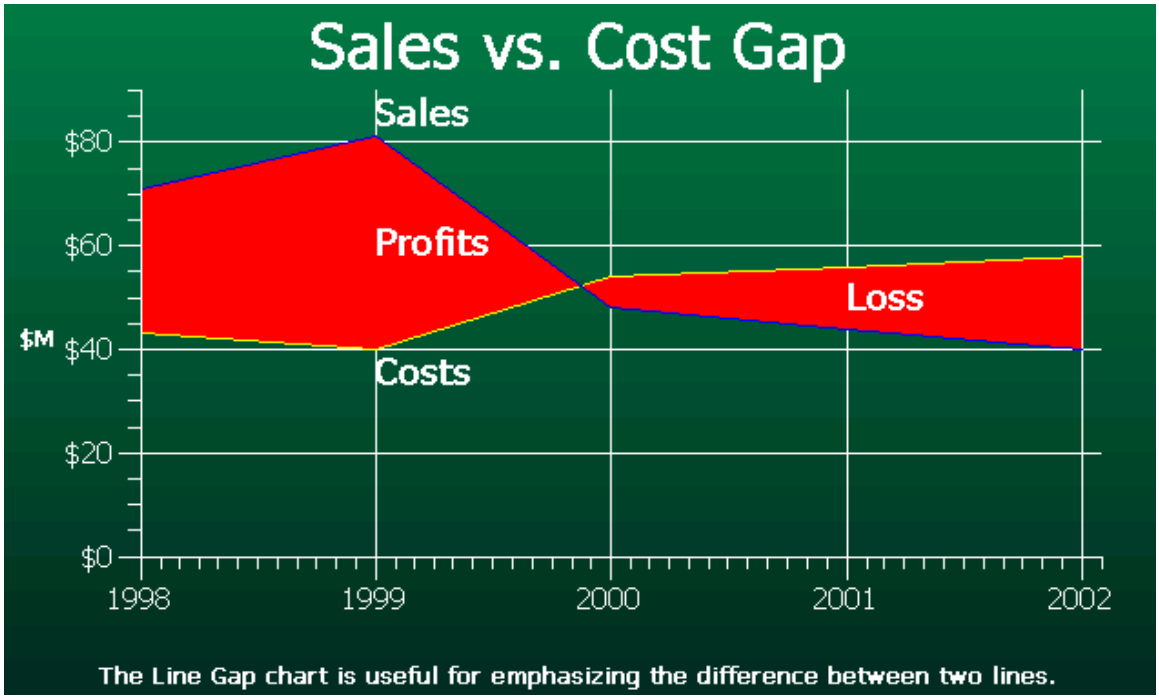
GroupBarPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays group data in a group bar format. Individual bars, the height of which corresponds to the group y-values of the dataset, display side by side, as a group, justified with respect to the x-position value for each group. The group bars share a common base value.

StackedBarPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays data as stacked bars. In a stacked bar plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group bar a cumulative sum of the related group items before it.

GroupVeraPlot The **GroupVersaPlot** is a plot type that can be any of the eight group plot types: GROUPBAR, STACKEDBAR, CANDLESTICK, OHLC, MULTILINE, STACKEDLINE, FLOATINGBAR and FLOATING_STACKED_BAR. Use it when you want to be able to change from one plot type to another, without deleting the instance of the old plot object and creating an instance of the new.

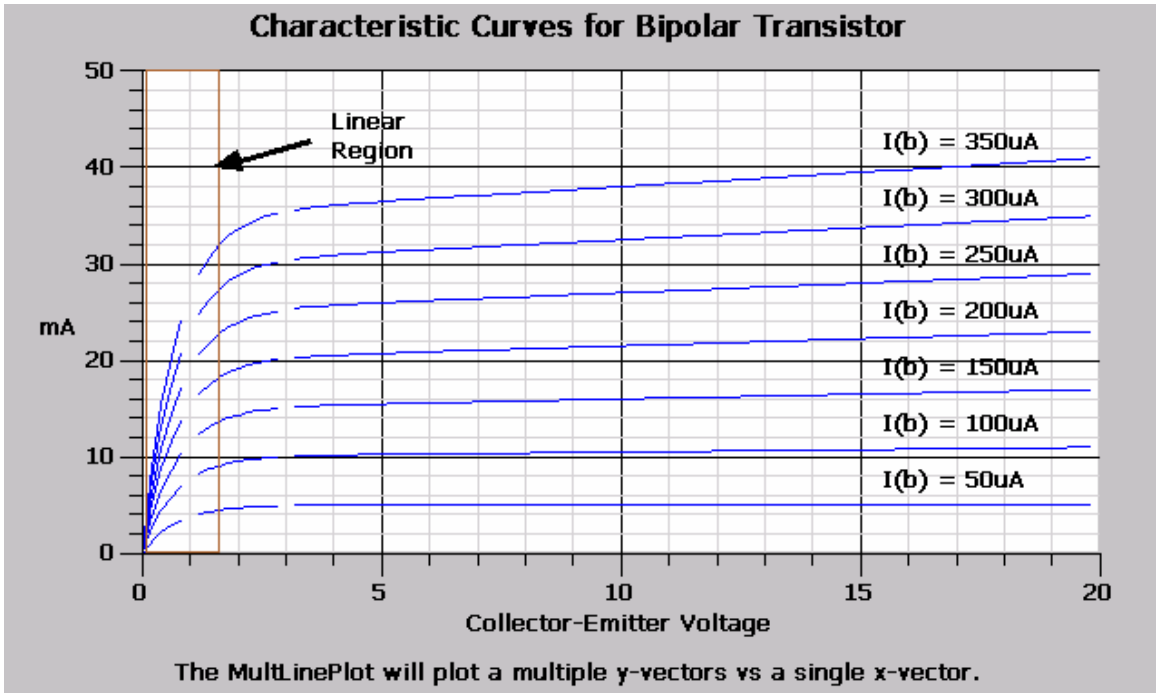


HistogramPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays histogram plots. A histogram plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset. The histogram bars share a common base value.



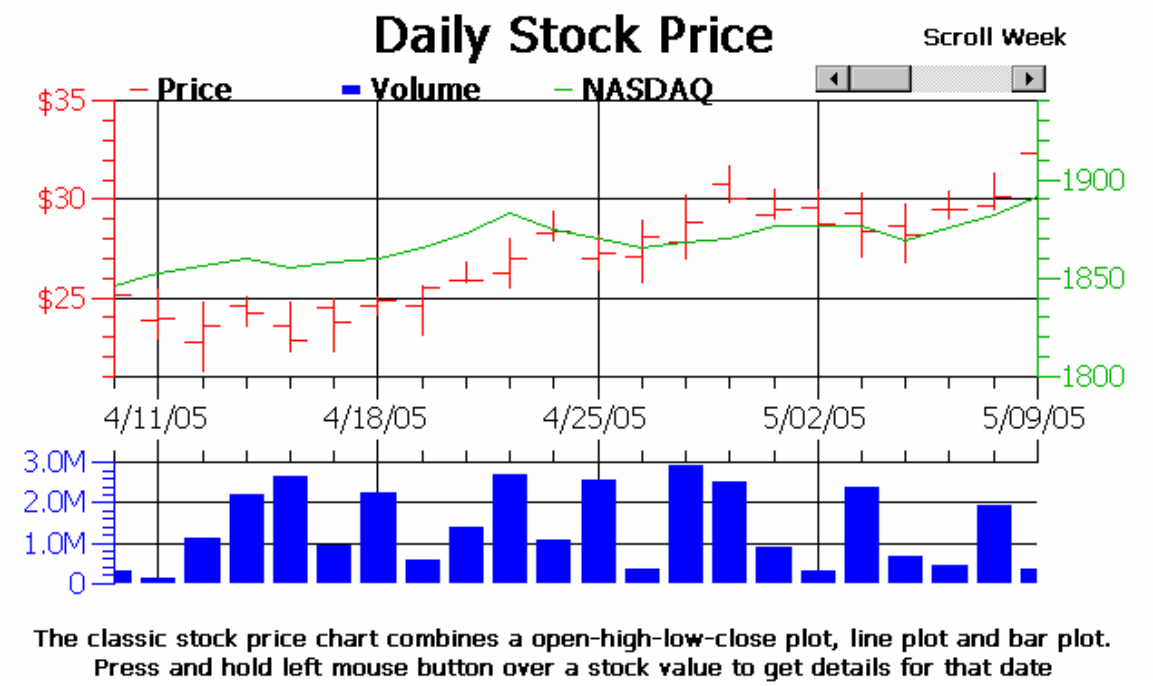
LineGapPlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class. A line gap chart consists of two lines plots where a contrasting color fills the area between the two lines, highlighting the difference.



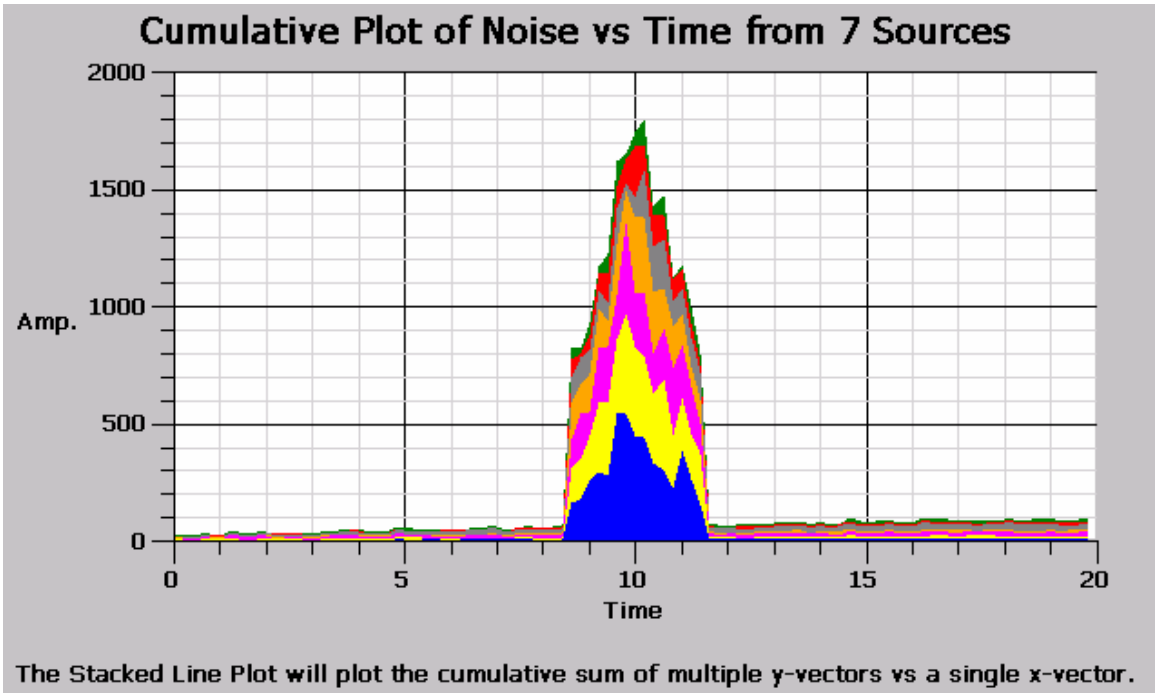
MultiLinePlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays group data in multi-line format. A group dataset with four groups will display four separate line plots. The y-values for each line of the line plot represent the y-values for each group of the group dataset. Each line plot share the same x-values of the group dataset.



OHLCPlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis. Every item of the plot is a vertical line, representing High and Low values, with two small horizontal "flags", one left and one right extending from the vertical High-Low line and representing the Open and Close values.



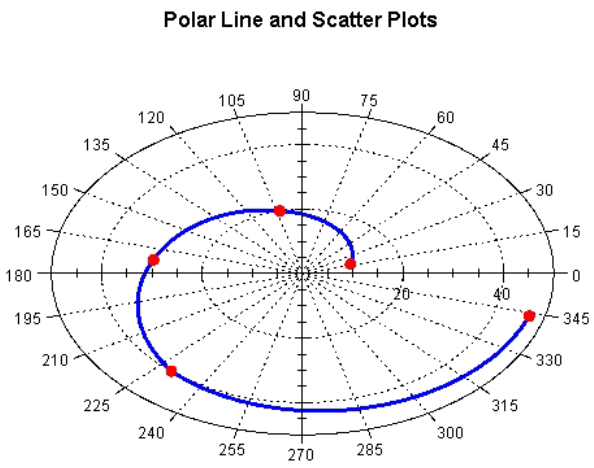
StackedLinePlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays data in a stacked line format. In a stacked line plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group line a cumulative sum of the related group items before it.

Polar Plot Classes

PolarPlot
- **PolarLinePlot**
- **PolarScatterPlot**

Polar plots that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the magnitude of a point in polar coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle, in radians, of a point in polar coordinates. Polar plot types include line plots and scatter plots.

PolarPlot This class is an abstract base class for the polar plot classes.



PolarLinePlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use polar coordinate interpolation.

PolarScatterPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

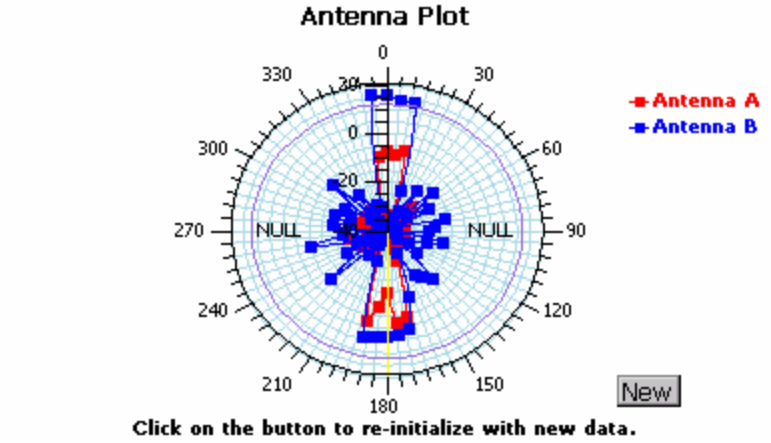
Antenna Plot Classes

AntennaPlot
- **AntennaLinePlot**
- **AntennaScatterPlot**
- **AntennaLineMarkerPlot**

GraphObj
- **AntennaAnnotation**

Antenna plots that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the radial value of a point in antenna coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle, in degrees, of a point in antenna coordinates. Antenna plot types include line plots, scatter plots, line marker plots, and an annotation class.

AntennaPlot This class is an abstract base class for the polar plot classes.



AntennaLineMarkerPlot

AntennaLinePlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use antenna coordinate interpolation.

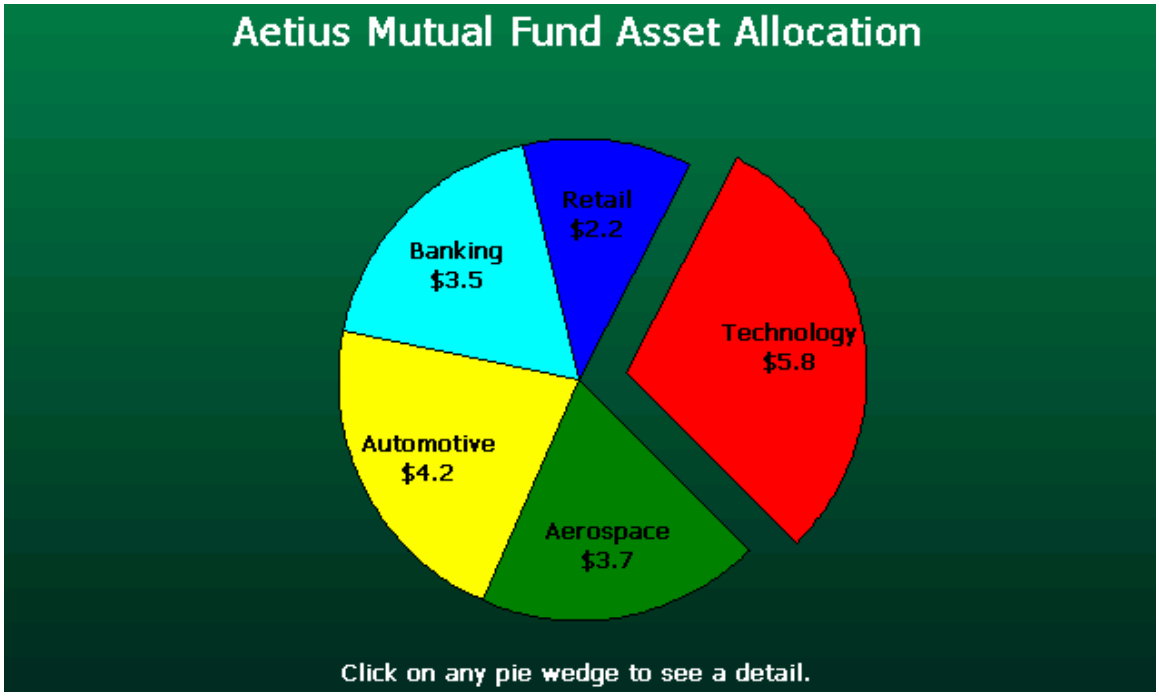
AntennaScatterPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

AntennaLineMarkerPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line markder plot format.

AntennaAnnotation This class is used to highlight, or mark, a specific attribute of the chart. It can mark a constant radial value using a circle, or it can mark a constant angular value using a radial line from the origin to the outer edge of the scale.

Pie Chart Classes

It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a pie wedge, and a y-value specifies the offset (or “explosion”) of a pie wedge with respect to the center of the pie.



PieChart

This class plots data in a simple pie chart format. It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a pie wedge, and a y-value specifies the offset (or "explosion") of a pie wedge with respect to the center of the pie.

RingChart

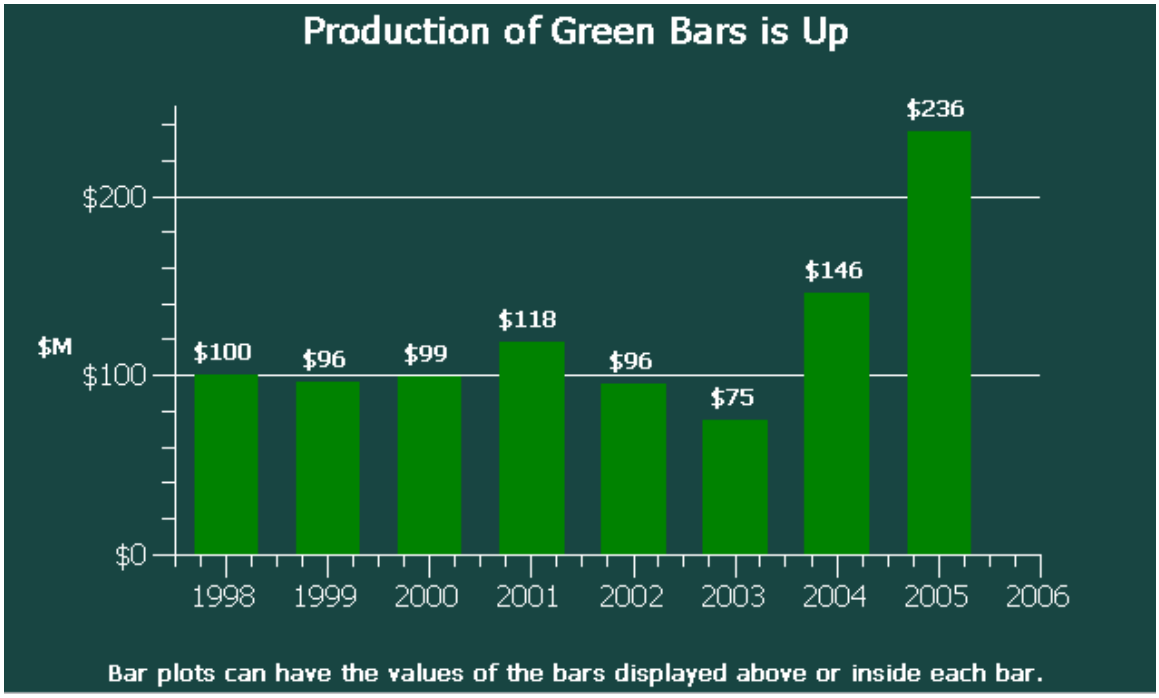
The ring chart plots data in a modified pie chart format known as a ring chartt. It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a ring segment, and a y-value specifies the offset (or "explosion") of a ring segment with respect to the origin of the ring.

Simple Plot Classes

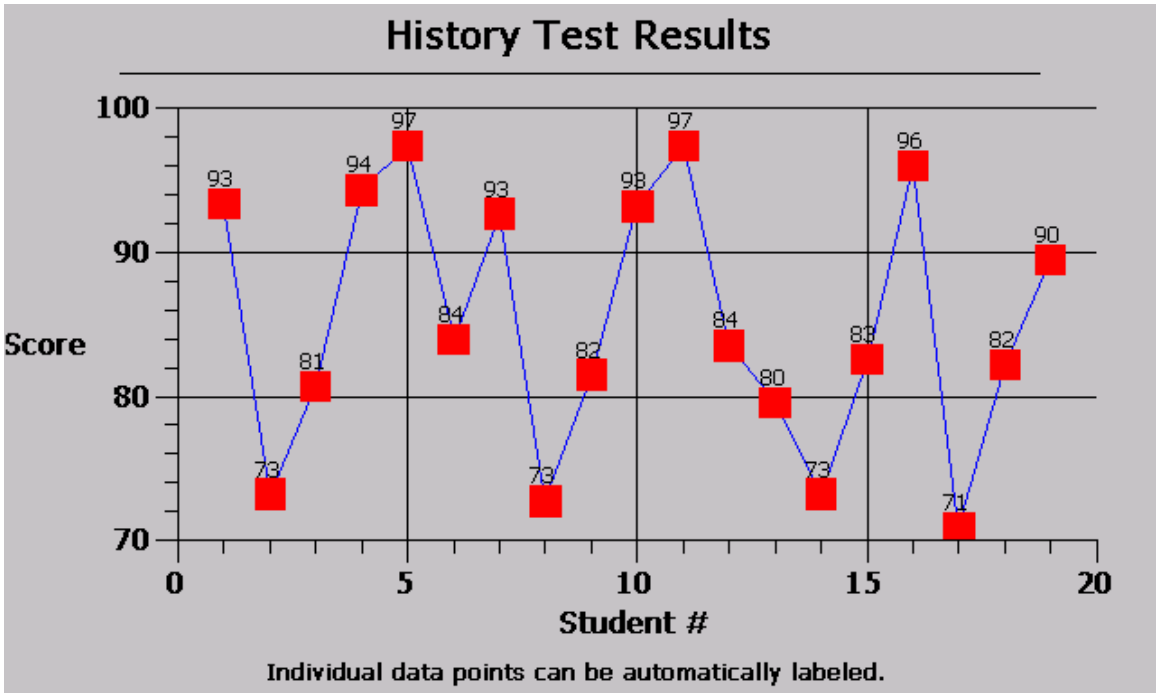
SimplePlot
- **SimpleBarPlot**
- **SimpleLineMarkerPlot**
- **SimpleLinePlot**
- **SimpleScatterPlot**
- **SimpleVeraPlot**

Simple plots use data organized as a simple array of xy points, where there is one y for every x. Simple plot types include line plots, scatter plots, bar graphs, and line-marker plots.

SimplePlot — This class is an abstract base class for all simple plot classes.

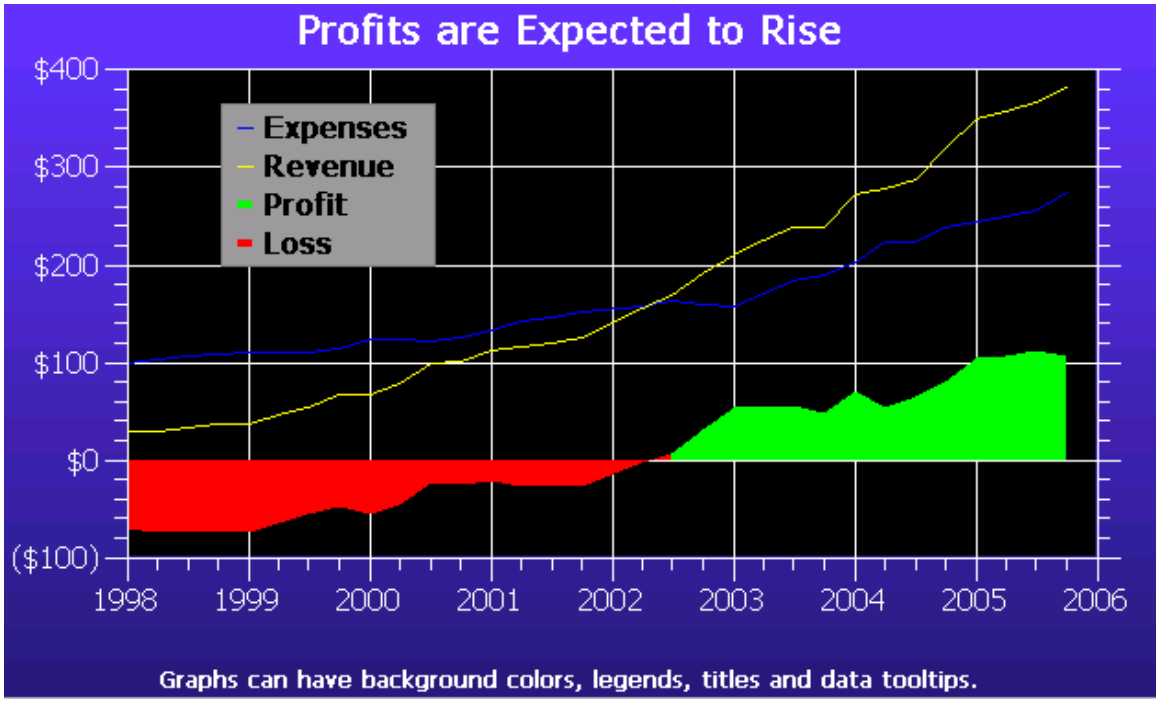


SimpleBarPlot — This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and displays data in a bar format. Individual bars, the maximum value of which corresponds to the y-values of the dataset, are justified with respect to the x-values.

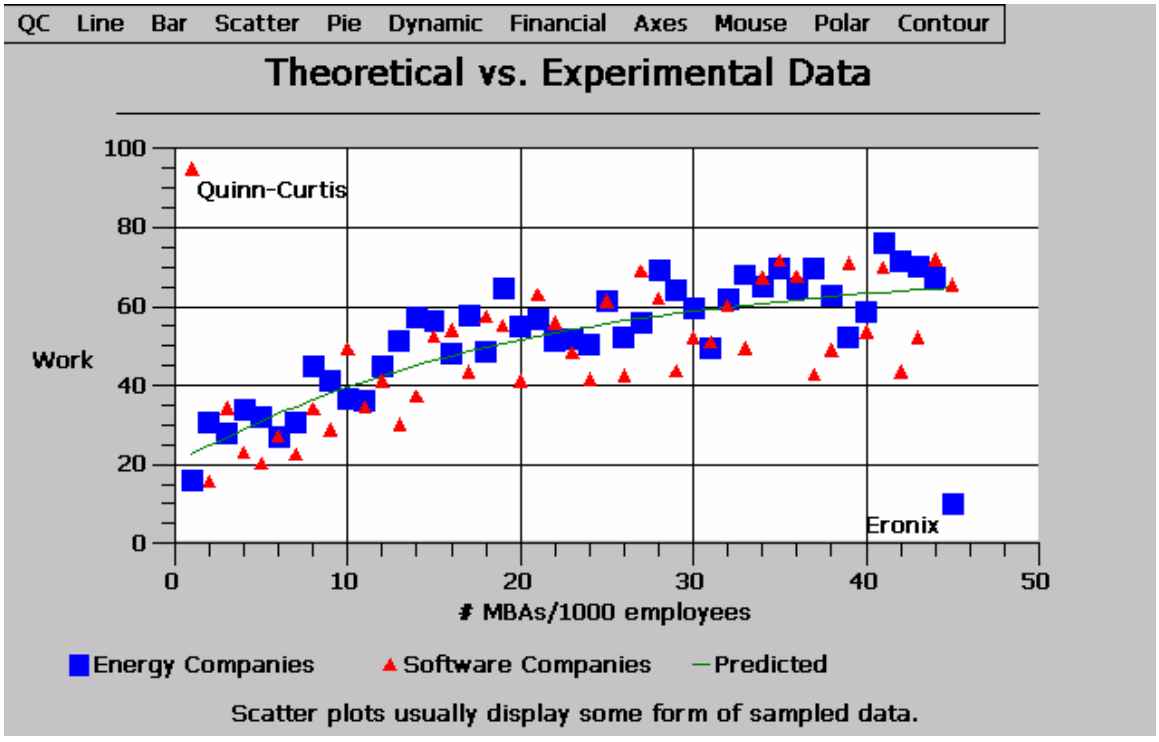


SimpleLineMarkerPlot

This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and it displays simple datasets in a line plot format where scatter plot symbols highlight individual data points.



SimpleLinePlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class it displays simple datasets in a line plot format. Adjacent data points are connected using a straight, or a step line.



SimpleScatterPlot This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and it displays simple datasets in a scatter plot format where each data point is represented using a symbol.

SimpleVersaPlot The **SimpleVersaPlot** is a plot type that can be any of the four simple plot types: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT. It is used when you want to be able to change from one plot type to another, without deleting the instance of the old plot object and creating an instance of the new.

Legend Classes

LegendItem
BubblePlotLegendItem
Legend
- **StandardLegend**
- **BubblePlotLegend**

Legends provide a key for interpreting the various plot objects in a graph. It organizes a collection of legend items, one for each plot objects in the graph, and displays them in a rectangular frame.

Legend This class is the abstract base class for chart legends.

LegendItem This class is the legend item class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. Each legend item manages one symbol and descriptive text for that symbol. The **StandardLegend** class uses objects of this type as legend items.

BubblePlotLegendItem This class is the legend item class for bubble plots. Each legend item manages a circle and descriptive text specifying the value of a bubble of this size. The **BubblePlotLegend** class uses objects of this type as legend items.

StandardLegend This class is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is the legend class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. The legend item objects display in a row or column format. Each legend item contains a symbol and a descriptive string. The symbol normally associates the legend item to a particular plot object, and the descriptive string describes what the plot object represents.

BubblePlotLegend This class is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is a legend class used exclusively with bubble plots. The legend item objects display as offset, concentric circles with descriptive text giving the key for the value associated with a bubble of this size.

Grid Classes

Grid
- **PolarGrid**
- **AntennaGrid**

Grid lines are perpendicular to an axis, extending the major and/or minor tick marks of the axis across the width or height of the plot area of the chart.

Grid This class defines the grid lines associated with an axis. Grid lines are perpendicular to an axis, extending the major and/or minor tick marks of the axis across the width or height of the plot area of the chart. This class works in conjunction with the **LinearAxis**, **LogAxis** and **TimeAxis** classes.

PolarGrid This class defines the grid lines associated with a polar axis. A polar chart grid consists of two sets of lines. The first set is a group of concentric circles, centered on the origin and passing through the major and/or minor tick marks of the polar magnitude horizontal and vertical axes. The second set is a group of radial lines, starting at the origin and extending to the outermost edge of the polar plot circle, passing through the major and minor tick marks of the polar angle circular axis. This class works in conjunction with the **PolarAxes** class.

AntennaGrid Analogous to the **PolarGrid**, this class draws radial, and circular grid lines for an Antenna chart.

Chart Text Classes

ChartText
- **ChartTitle**

AxisTitle
ChartLabel
NumericLabel
TimeLabel
StringLabel
ElapsedTimeLabel

The chart text classes draw one or more strings in the chart window. Different classes support different numeric formats, including floating point numbers, date/time values and multi-line text strings. International formats for floating point numbers and date/time values are also supported.+

ChartText	This class draws a string in the current chart window. It is the base class for the **ChartTitle**, **AxisTitle** and **ChartLabel** classes. The **ChartText** class also creates independent text objects. Other classes that display text also use it internally.
ChartTitle	This class displays a text string as the title or footer of the chart.
AxisTitle	This class displays a text string as the title for an axis. The axis title position is outside of the axis label area. Axis titles for y-axes are are NOT rotated 90 degrees.
ChartLabel	This class is the abstract base class of labels that require special formatting.
NumericLabel	This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays formatted numeric values.
TimeLabel	This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays formatted **ChartCalendar** dates.
ElapsedTimeLabel	This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays numeric values formatted as elapsed time strings **(12:32:21).**
StringLabel	This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class that formats string values for use as axis labels.

Miscellaneous Chart Classes

Marker
ChartImage
ChartShape
ChartSymbol

Various classes are used to position and draw objects that can be used as standalone objects in a graph, or as elements of other plot objects.

Marker	This class displays one of five marker types in a graph. The marker is used to create data cursors, or to mark data points.
ChartImage	This class encapsulates a **System.Drawing.Image** class, defining a rectangle in chart coordinates that the image is placed in. JPEG and other image files can be imported using the **System.Drawing.Image** class and displayed in a chart.
ChartShape	This class encapsulates a **System.Drawing.Drawing2D.GraphicsPath** class, placing the shape in a chart using a position defined in chart coordinates. A chart can display any object that can be defined using **System.Drawing.Drawing2D**.GraphicsPath class.
ChartSymbol	This class defines symbols used by the **SimplePlot** scatter plot functions. Pre-defined symbols include square, triangle, diamond, cross, plus, star, line, horizontal bar, vertical bar, 3D bar and circle.

Mouse Interaction Classes

MouseListener
- **MoveObj**
- **FindObj**
- **DataToolTip**
- **DataCursor**
  - **MoveData**
- **MagniView**
- **MoveCoordinates**
- **MultiMouseListener**

ChartZoom

Several classes implement delegates for mouse events. The **MouseListener** class implements a generic interface for managing mouse events in a graph window. The **DataCursor**, **MoveData**, **MoveObj, ChartZoom, MagniView and MoveCoordinates** classes also implement mouse event delegates that use the mouse to mark, move and zoom chart objects and data

MouseListener	This class implements .Net delegates that trap generic mouse events (button events and mouse motion events) that take place in a **ChartView** window. A programmer can derive a class from **MouseListener** and override the methods for mouse events, creating a custom version of the class.
MoveObj	This class extends the **MouseListener** class and it can select chart objects and move them. Moveable chart objects include axes, axes labels, titles, legends, arbitrary text, shapes and images. Use the **MoveData** class to move objects derived from **SimplePlot**.
FindObj	This class extends the **MouseListener** class, providing additional methods that selectively determine what graphical objects intersect the mouse cursor.
DataCursor	This class combines the **MouseListener** class and **Marker** class. Press a mouse button and the selected data cursor (horizontal and/or vertical line, cross hairs, or a small box) appears at the point of the mouse cursor. The data cursor tracks the mouse motion as long as the mouse button is pressed. Release the button and the data cursor disappears. This makes it easier to line up the mouse position with the tick marks of an axis.
MoveData	This class selects and moves individual data points of an object derived from the **SimplePlot** class.
DataToolTip	A data tooltip is a popup box that displays the value of a data point in a chart. The data value can consist of the x-value, the y-value, x- and y-values, group values and open-high-low-close values, for a given point in a chart.
ChartZoom	This class implements mouse controlled zooming for one or more simultaneous axes. The user starts zooming by holding down a mouse button with the mouse cursor in the plot area of a graph. The mouse is dragged and then

released. The rectangle established by mouse start and stop points defines the new, zoomed, scale of the associated axes. Zooming has many different modes. Some of the combinations are:

One x or one y axis
One x and one y axes
One x and multiple y axes
One y and multiple x axes
Multiple x and y axes

MagniView This class implements mouse controlled magnification for one or more simultaneous axes. This class implements a chart magnify class based on the **MouseListener** class. It uses two charts; the source chart and the target chart. The source chart displays the chart in its unmagnified state. The target chart displays the chart in the magnified state. The mouse positions a **MagniView** rectangle within the source chart, and the target chart is re-scaled and redrawn to match the extents of the **MagniView** rectangle from the source chart.

MoveCoordinates This class extends the **MouseListener** class and it can move the coordinate system of the underlying chart, analogous to moving (chaging the coordinates of) an internet map by "grabbing" it with the mouse and dragging it.

MultiMouseListener This class is used by the **ChartView** class to support multiple mouse listeners at the same time.

Miscellaneous Utility Classes

ChartCalendar
CSV
Dimension
Point2D
GroupPoint2D
DoubleArray
DoubleArray2D
BoolArray
Point3D
NearestPointData
TickMark

Polysurface
Rectangle2D

ChartCalendar	This class contains utility routines used to process **ChartCalendar** date objects.
CSV	This is a utility class for reading and writing CSV (Comma Separated Values) files.
Dimension	This is a utility class for handling dimension (height and width) information using doubles, rather than the integers used by the **Size** class.
Point2D	This class encapsulates an xy pair of values as doubles (more useful in this software than the .Net Point and PointF classes.
GroupPoint2D	This class encapsulates an x-value, and an array of y-values, representing the x and y values of one column of a group data set.
DoubleArray	This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of double based data elements.
DoubleArray2D	This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net 2D Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of double based data elements.
BoolArray	This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of bool based data elements.
Point3D	This class encapsulates an xyz set of double values used to specify 3D data values.
NearestPointData	This is a utility class for returning data that results from nearest point calculations.
TickMark	The axis classes use this class to organize the location of the individual tick marks of an axis.
Polysurface	This is a utility class that defines complex 3D shapes as a list of simple 3-sided polygons. The contour plotting routines use it.

Rectangle2D	This is a utility class that extends the RectangleF class, using doubles as internal storage.

4. Process Variable and Alarm Classes

RTProcessVar
RTAlarm
RTAlarmEventArgs

The **RTProcessVar** class is the core data storage object for all of the real-time indicator classes. The **RTProcessVar** class represents a single process variable, complete with limit values, an unlimited number of high and low alarms, historical data storage, and descriptive strings for use in displays.

Indicators that display the current value of a single process variable, the **RTBarIndicator**, the **RTMeterIndicator** and **RTPanelMeter** classes for example, reference back to a single **RTProcessVar** object. Indicators that display the current values of multiple process variables, the **RTMultiBarIndicator**, **RTMultiValueAnnunciator** and **RTFormControlGrid** classes, reference back to a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. Even though an **RTProcessVar** object is in a multi-value indicator collection with other **RTProcessVar** objects, it maintains its own unique settings for limit values, alarm limits and descriptive strings.

The **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** classes provide a link between the **RTProcessVar** class and the charting routines in the **QCChart2D CF** charting package. The **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** class combines any of the **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** classes with an **RTProcessVar** object, and the **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** class combines any of the **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** classes with a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. The **RTProcessVar** class manages a historical data buffer based on the **QCChart2D CF ChartDataset** class. Each time the current value of the **RTProcessVar** object is updated, it is time-stamped and its value appended to the internal **ChartDataset**. The time stamp can either be explicitly supplied in the update call, or it can be automatically derived from the system clock. From there it can be plotted in static or scrolling plots.

The **RTProcessVar** class contains a collection of **RTAlarm** objects. Each alarm object represents a unique alarm condition: either a greater than alarm or a less than alarm, based on the specified limit value. The **RTAlarm** class also specifies alarm text strings, alarm colors, and the alarm hysteresis value. An **RTProcessVar** object can hold an unlimited number of **RTAlarm** objects. Every time an **RTProcessVar** object is updated with new values, every alarm is checked and an alarm event is generated if the alarm conditions are met. The programmer can hook into the alarm events using alarm event delegates.

Real-Time Process Variable

Class RTProcessVar

ChartObj
|
+-- RTProcessVar

Real-time data is stored in **RTProcessVar** classes. The **RTProcessVar** class is designed to represent a single process variable, complete with limit values, an unlimited number of high and low alarms, historical data storage, and descriptive strings for use in displays. It has two main constructors.

RTProcessVar constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal tagname As String, _
   ByVal defaultattribute As ChartAttribute _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal defaultattribute As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public RTProcessVar(
   string tagname,
   ChartAttribute defaultattribute
);


public RTProcessVar(
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute defaultattribute
);
```

Parameters

tagname
A string representing the tag name of the process variable.

dataset
A dataset that will be used to hold historical values for the process variable. If no tag name is supplied in the constructor the tag name for the process variable will be taken from the **ChartDataset.DataName** property of the dataset.

defaultattribute
Specifies the default attributes for the process variable.

Once created, the **RTProcessVar** object is updated using the **SetCurrentValue** method. The method has several overloads:

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Overloads Public Sub SetCurrentValue( _
   ByVal gv As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal pv As Double _
)

Overridable Overloads Public Sub SetCurrentValue( _
   ByVal dt As DateTime, _
   ByVal pv As Double _
)

Overridable Overloads Public Sub SetCurrentValue( _
   ByVal timestamp As Double, _
   ByVal pv As Double _
)


Overridable Overloads Public Sub SetCurrentValue( _
   ByVal pv As Double _
)



[C#]
public virtual void SetCurrentValue(
   ChartCalendar gv,
   double pv
);

public virtual void SetCurrentValue(
   DateTime dt,
   double pv
);

public virtual void SetCurrentValue(
   double timestamp,
   double pv
);


public virtual void SetCurrentValue(
   double pv
);
```

Parameters

gv

The time stamp as a **ChartCalendar** object for the process variable.

dt

The time stamp as a **DateTime** object for the process variable.

timestamp

The time stamp, in milliseconds, for the process variable. See **the Important Note** below.

pv

The value of the process variable.

If the time stamp value is not explicitly provided, as in the case of the last overloaded method, the current time as stored in the system clock is used as the time stamp.

Important Note – Do Not Use DateTime.Now

Do NOT use the **.Net CF DateTime.Now** function to get the current time, in order to time stamp a process value. It is horrendously flawed; at least in ALL of the .**Net CF** emulators; we are not sure of actual implementations on physical devices. When running a **.Net CF** application that heavily loads the CPU, the time-of-day clock of the emulator STOPS updating correctly, with the minutes field of the time-of-day failing to rollover when the seconds value sweeps through 60. Our **ChartCalendar** default constructor (new ChartCalendar()) is initialized correctly with the current time-of-day, using our own technique that works around the **DateTime.Now** bug. Internally, the QCChart2DCF and QCRTGraphCF software does not call the **DateTime.Now** method**.**

Alarms are added to an **RTProcessVar** object using the **RTProcessVar.AddAlarm or RTProcessVar.AddCloneAlarm** methods. The **AddCloneAlarm** method clones the passed in alarm object, so that the same **RTAlarmObject** can be used to initialize multiple **RTProcessVar** objects without a conflict occurring.

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub AddAlarm( _
   ByVal alarmobj As RTAlarm _
)

Public  AddCloneAlarm( _
   ByVal alarmobj As RTAlarm _
) As RTAlarm

[C#]
public void AddAlarm(
   RTAlarm alarmobj
);

public RTAlarm AddCloneAlarm(
   RTAlarm alarmobj
);
```

Parameters

alarmobj

A reference to the **RTAlarm** object that is to be added to the process variables alarm list.

Configure the **RTAlarm** object and then add it to the **RTProcessVar** object.

The most commonly used **RTProcessVar** properties are:

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmStateEventEnable	Get/Set the flag for the alarm state event enable. Set to true to enable alarm checking.
AlarmTransitionEventEnable	Get/Set the flag for the **AlarmTransitionEventHandler** delegate enable. Set to true to enable the **AlarmTransitionEventHandler** delegate.
CurrentValue	Get the process variable current value.
DatasetEnableUpdate	Get/Set to true to enable historical data collection in the process variable dataset.
DefaultAttribute	Get/Set the default attributes for the process variable.
DefaultMaximumDisplayValue	Get/Set maximum allowable display value for the process variable.
DefaultMinimumDisplayValue	Get/Set minimum allowable display value for the process variable.
DetailedDescription	Get/Set the process variable detailed description string.
GoodValue	Get/Set set to false designates that the current value is a bad value.
MaximumValue	Get/Set maximum allowable value for the process variable.
MinimumValue	Get/Set minimum allowable value for the process variable.
PrevCurrentValue	Get the process variable previous current value.
PrevTimeStamp	Get the process variable previous time stamp value.
ProcessVarDataset	Get/Set the process variable dataset.
ShortDescription	Get/Set the process variable short description string.
TagName	Get/Set the process variable tag string.
TimeStamp	Get the process variable time stamp value.
UniqueIdentifier	Get/Set the process variable unique identifier string.
UnitsString	Get/Set the process variable units string.

Public Instance Events

AlarmStateEventHandler	Delegate for notification each time the check of a process variable produces an

	alarm state condition.
AlarmTransitionEventHandler	Delegate for notification each time the check of a process variable produces a change of state in alarm state condition.

A complete listing of **RTProcessVar** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example of Creating an RTProcessVar Object

The example below creates and updates an **RTProcessVar** object that does not use alarms. The example was extracted from the Treadmill example program, method **InitializeGraph**. See the example in the **RTAlarm** section of the manual for one that uses alarms.

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute defaultattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);


double METSValue = 0;
METS = new RTProcessVar("METS", defaultattrib);
METS.ShortDescription = "Metabolic Equivalents";
METS.MinimumValue = 0;
METS.MaximumValue = 100;
METS.DatasetEnableUpdate = true; // Make sure this is on for scrolling graphs
.
.
.
METSValue = Math.Max(0,(heartRateValue - 60)/(60.0));
METS.SetCurrentValue(METSValue);
```

[VB]

```
Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green)


METSValue = 0
METS = New RTProcessVar("METS", defaultattrib)
METS.ShortDescription = "Metabolic Equivalents"
METS.MinimumValue = 0
METS.MaximumValue = 100
METS.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue = 0
```

```
METS.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue = 100
METS.DatasetEnableUpdate = True ' Make sure this is on for scrolling graphs
.
.
.
METSValue = Math.Max(0, (heartRateValue - 60) / 60.0)
METS.SetCurrentValue(METSValue)
```

Real-Time Alarms

Class RTAlarm

ChartObj
|
+-- RTAlarm

The **RTAlarm** class stores alarm information for the **RTProcessVar** class. The **RTAlarm** class specifies the type of the alarm, the alarm color, alarm text messages and alarm hysteresis value. The **RTProcessVar** classes can hold an unlimited number of **RTAlarm** objects in an internal **ArrayList**.

RTProcessVar constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal alarmtype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal alarmtype As Integer, _
   ByVal alarmlimitvalue As Double _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal alarmtype As Integer, _
   ByVal alarmlimitvalue As Double _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal alarmtype As Integer, _
   ByVal alarmlimitvalue As Double, _
   ByVal normalmessage As String, _
```

```
   ByVal alarmmessage As String _
)
```

```
[Visual Basic]
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal alarmtype As Integer, _
   ByVal alarmlimitvalue As Double, _
   ByVal normalmessage As String, _
   ByVal alarmmessage As String, _
   ByVal hysteresisvalue As Double _
)
```

```
 [C#]
public RTAlarm(
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   int alarmtype
);


public RTAlarm(
   int alarmtype,
   double alarmlimitvalue
);


public RTAlarm(
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   int alarmtype,
   double alarmlimitvalue
);


public RTAlarm(
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   int alarmtype,
   double alarmlimitvalue,
   string normalmessage,
   string alarmmessage
);


public RTAlarm(
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   int alarmtype,
   double alarmlimitvalue,
   string normalmessage,
   string alarmmessage,
   double hysteresisvalue
);
```

Parameters

processvar

Specifies the process variable that the alarm is for. When you add an **RTAlarm** object to an **RTProcessVar** object, this field will be overwritten with a reference to the **RTProcessVar** object that was added to.

alarmtype

Specifies the alarm type: RT_ALARM_NONE, RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, or RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN.

alarmlimitvalue

Specifies the alarm limit value.

normalmessage

Specifies the message displayed when there is no alarm.

alarmmessage

Specifies the alarm message.

hysteresisvalue

Specifies the hysteresis value of the alarm. This is used to prevent alarms from toggling between states due to noise in the system when the process variable is very close to an alarm threshold. After an alarm has been triggered, the process variable must cross the alarm threshold in the opposite direction by the hysteresis value before it falls out of alarm. For example, if an RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN alarm threshold is 70, then the process value will always go into alarm once the threshold value of 70 is exceeded. If the hysteresis value is 2, then the process variable will not fall out of alarm until the process value is less than (alarmlimitvalue – hysteresisvalue) = (70 – 2) = 68. If you don't want hysteresis set it equal to 0.0.

The most commonly used **RTAlarm** properties are:

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmLimitValue	Get/Set the alarm limit value.
AlarmMessage	Get/Set the current alarm message.
AlarmState	Get/Set the alarm state, true if the last call to **CheckAlarm** show that the process variable currently in alarm.
AlarmSymbolColor	Get/Set the alarm symbol color.
AlarmTextColor	Get/Set the alarm text color.
AlarmType	Get/Set the alarm type: RT_ALARM_NONE, RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, ot RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN.
HysteresisValue	Get/Set the alarm hysteresis value.

A complete listing of **RTAlarm** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Once an **RTAlarm** object is added to an **RTProcessVar** object, alarm checking takes place every time the **RTProcessVar.SetCurrentValue** method is called. Any displays

dependent on the alarm will not change until the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method is called, forcing a repaint of the view.

Example of RTAlarm objects added to an RTProcessVar object

The example below creates and updates an **RTProcessVar** object that uses alarms. It does not however generate alarm events that notify user-defined alarm handlers. The example was extracted from the Treadmill example program, method **InitializeGraph**. See the example in the **RTAlarmEventArgs** section for one that generates alarm events.

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute defaultattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);


RTAlarm lowheartratealarm = new RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, 30);
lowheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "Low Heart Rate";
lowheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Blue;
lowheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Blue;


RTAlarm highheartratealarm = new RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN, 160);
highheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "High Heart Rate";
highheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Red;
highheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Red;


double heartRateValue = 0.0;
heartRate = new RTProcessVar("Heart Rate", defaultattrib);
heartRate.MinimumValue = 0;
heartRate.MaximumValue = 300;
heartRate.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue = 0;
heartRate.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue = 200;
heartRate.AddAlarm(lowheartratealarm);
heartRate.AddAlarm(highheartratealarm);
heartRate.SetCurrentValue( heartRateValue);
.
.
.
heartRateValue =  60.0 + runnersPaceValue * 10.0 +
                      treadmillElevationValue * 3.0;
heartRate.SetCurrentValue(heartRateValue);
```

[VB]

```
Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green)

Dim lowheartratealarm As New RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, 30)
lowheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "Low Heart Rate"
lowheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Blue
lowheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Blue

Dim highheartratealarm As New RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN, 160)
highheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "High Heart Rate"
highheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Red
highheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Red

heartRate = New RTProcessVar("Heart Rate", defaultattrib)
heartRate.MinimumValue = 0
heartRate.MaximumValue = 300
heartRate.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue = 0
heartRate.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue = 200
heartRate.AddAlarm(lowheartratealarm)
heartRate.AddAlarm(highheartratealarm)
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventEnable = True
AddHandler heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventHandler, AddressOf Me.heartRate_HighAlarm
heartRate.SetCurrentValue(heartRateValue)
.
.
.
heartRateValue = 60.0 + runnersPaceValue * 10.0 + treadmillElevationValue * 3.0
heartRate.SetCurrentValue(heartRateValue)
```

Real-Time Alarms Event Handling

Class RTAlarmEventArgs

ChartObj
|
+-- RTAlarmEventArgs

The **RTProcessVar** class can throw an alarm event based on either the current alarm state, or an alarm transition from one alarm state to another. The **RTAlarmEventArgs** class is used to pass alarm data to the event handler. If you want the alarm event to be called only on the initial transition from the no-alarm state to the alarm state, set the

RTProcessVar. AlarmTransitionEventEnable to true and the **RTProcessVar.AlarmStateEventEnable** to false**.** In this case you will get one event when the process variable goes into alarm, and one when it comes out of alarm. If you want a continuous stream of alarm events, as long as the **RTAlarm** object is in alarm, set the **RTProcessVar. AlarmTransitionEventEnable** to false and the **RTProcessVar.AlarmStateEventEnable** to true. The alarm events will be generated at the same rate as the **RTProcessVar.SetCurrentValue()** method is called,

RTAlarmEventArgs constructors

You don't really need the constructors since **RTAlarmEventArgs** objects are created inside the **RTProcessVar** class when an alarm event needs to be generated. Here they are anyway.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal pv As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal alarm As RTAlarm, _
   ByVal channel As Integer _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTAlarmEventArgs(
   RTProcessVar pv,
   RTAlarm alarm,
   int channel
);
```

Parameters

pv

The **RTProcessVar** object associated with the alarm event.

alarm

The **RTAlarm** object associated with the alarm event.

channel

The channel number associated with the alarm event.

The most commonly used **RTAlarmEventArgs** properties are:

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmChannel	Get/Set the alarm channel object.
EventAlarm	Get/Set the **RTAlarm** object.associated with the alarm
ProcessVar	Get/Set the **RTProcessVar** object. associated with the alarm

A complete listing of **RTAlarmEventArgs** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example
[C#]

Setup and enable an alarm transition event handler in the following manner:

```
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventEnable = true;
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventHandler +=
        new RTAlarmEventDelegate(this.heartRate_HighAlarm);
```

where the handler method is **this.heartRate_HighAlarm**.

Setup and enable an alarm state event handler in an identical manner:

```
heartRate.AlarmStateEventEnable = true;
heartRate.AlarmStateEventHandler +=
        new RTAlarmEventDelegate(this.heartRate_HighAlarm);
```

where the handler method is **this.heartRate_HighAlarm**.

```
private void heartRate_HighAlarm(object sender, RTAlarmEventArgs e)
{
}
```

Example of RTProcessVar, RTAlarm and Alarm Event Handlers

The example below creates and updates an **RTProcessVar** object that uses alarms and a user-defined alarm event handler. The example was extracted from the Treadmill example program, method **InitializeGraph**. See the example in the **RTAlarmEventArgs** section for one that generates alarm events.

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute defaultattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);


RTAlarm lowheartratealarm = new RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, 30);
lowheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "Low Heart Rate";
lowheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Blue;
lowheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Blue;
```

```
RTAlarm highheartratealarm = new RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN, 160);
highheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "High Heart Rate";
highheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Red;
highheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Red;

double heartRateValue = 0.0;
heartRate = new RTProcessVar("Heart Rate", defaultattrib);
heartRate.MinimumValue = 0;
heartRate.MaximumValue = 300;
heartRate.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue = 0;
heartRate.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue = 200;
heartRate.AddAlarm(lowheartratealarm);
heartRate.AddAlarm(highheartratealarm);

// These two lines enable alarm transition event handling
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventEnable = true;
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventHandler +=
        new RTAlarmEventDelegate(this.heartRate_HighAlarm);

heartRate.SetCurrentValue( heartRateValue);
.
.
.
private void heartRate_HighAlarm(object sender, RTAlarmEventArgs e)
{
    MessageBoxButtons buttons = MessageBoxButtons.YesNo;
    DialogResult result;
    result = MessageBox.Show(this,
        "Emergency Heartrate: Shutdown!", "Emergency", buttons,
    MessageBoxIcon.Question, MessageBoxDefaultButton.Button1,
    MessageBoxOptions.RightAlign);
    if (result == DialogResult.Yes)
        Application.Exit();
}
```

[VB]

```
Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1.0, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green)

Dim lowheartratealarm As New RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_LOWERTHAN, 30)
lowheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "Low Heart Rate"
lowheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Blue
```

```
lowheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Blue

Dim highheartratealarm As New RTAlarm(ChartObj.RT_ALARM_GREATERTHAN, 160)
highheartratealarm.AlarmMessage = "High Heart Rate"
highheartratealarm.AlarmSymbolColor = Color.Red
highheartratealarm.AlarmTextColor = Color.Red

heartRate = New RTProcessVar("Heart Rate", defaultattrib)
heartRate.MinimumValue = 0
heartRate.MaximumValue = 300
heartRate.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue = 0
heartRate.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue = 200
heartRate.AddAlarm(lowheartratealarm)
heartRate.AddAlarm(highheartratealarm)
' These two lines enable alarm transition event handling
heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventEnable = True
AddHandler heartRate.AlarmTransitionEventHandler, AddressOf Me.heartRate_HighAlarm
heartRate.SetCurrentValue(heartRateValue)
.
.
.
heartRate.SetCurrentValue(heartRateValue)
.
.
.
Private Sub heartRate_HighAlarm(ByVal sender As Object, _
    ByVal e As   RTAlarmEventArgs)
    Dim buttons As MessageBoxButtons = MessageBoxButtons.YesNo
    Dim result As DialogResult
    ' Displays the MessageBox.
        result = MessageBox.Show(Me, "Emergency Heartrate: Shutdown!", _
        "Emergency", buttons, MessageBoxIcon.Question, _
        MessageBoxDefaultButton.Button1, MessageBoxOptions.RightAlign)
  If result = DialogResult.Yes Then
    Application.Exit()
  End If
End Sub 'heartRate_HighAlarm
```

5. Panel Meter Classes

RTNumericPanelMeter
RTAlarmPanelMeter
RTStringPanelMeter
RTTimePanelMeter
RTElapsedTimePanelMeter
RTFormControlPanelMeter

The **RTPanelMeter** derived classes are special cases of the single value indicator classes that are used throughout the software to display real-time data in a text format. Panel meters are available for numeric values, string values, time/date values and alarm values. All of the panel meter classes have a great many options for controlling the text font, color, size, border and background of the panel meter rectangle. **RTPanelMeter** objects are used in two ways. First, they can be standalone, and once attached to an **RTProcessVar** object they can be added to a **ChartView** as any other **QCChart2D CF GraphObj** derived class. Second, they can be attached to most of the single channel and multiple channel indicators, such as **RTBarIndicator**, **RTMultiBarIndicator**, **RTMeterIndicator** and **RTAnnunciator** objects, where they provide text output in addition to the indicators graphical output.

Digital SF Font

In our example programs the panel meters often use a simple 7-segment display font. It gives the displays an anachronistic look typical of older, dedicated instruments. This font is not part of the Microsoft .Net installation, but it is included with our software. It is a public domain font that has the family name Digital SF (with a space between "Digital" and "SF". It resides in the Digital.TTF file found in the Quinn-Curtis\lib subdirectory. In order to use the font in Visual Studio .Net programs you should copy this file to the Windows\Fonts subdirectory of the Windows CE device. Once that is done, it can be used like any other TrueType font. All of our example programs assume that the font has been copied to the Windows\Fonts. The example below creates an instance of the Digial SF font.

```
Font font12Numeric = new Font("Digital SF", 12,  FontStyle.Regular);
```

The font can be downloaded from the link:
http://www.webfontlist.com/pages/station.asp?ID=10643&x=Fonts if you want to download your own copy.

If you create an application that uses this font, you have to plan on how to install it on the target computer.

Panel Meters

Class RTPanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter

The **RTPanelMeter** is an abstract class for the other panel meter classes. While it cannot be instantiated, it does contain properties and methods common to all panel meters. A summary of these properties is listed below.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmIndicatorColorMode (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set whether the color of the indicator objects changes on an alarm. Use one of the constants: RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE, RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM..
ContrastTextAlarmColor (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get a contrast color to use for text when the object is in alarm, and the background color of the panel meter changes.
CurrentProcessValue (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get the current process value of the primary channel.
Frame3DEnable (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get to true to enable a 3D frame for the panel meter.
PanelMeterNudge (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the xy values of the **PanelMeterNudge** property. The **PanelMeterNudge** property moves the relative position, using window device coordinates, of the text relative to the specified location of the text.
PanelMeterPosition (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the panel meter position value. Use one of the panel meter position constants. See table for positioning constants.

PositionReference (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get an **RTPanelMeter** object used as a positioning reference for this **RTPanelMeter** object.
PrimaryChannel (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the primary channel of the indicator.
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.
RTPlotObj (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the reference **RTPlot** object.
TextColor	Set/Get the text color of the panel meter.

A complete listing of **RTPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Positioning Panel Meters

The most complicated thing about panel meters is getting them positioned where you want. There are over 30 positioning constants that can be used to position panel meters with respect to graph objects, the plot area, and graph area of the associated graph. In addition to the positioning constants, you can explicitly place the panel meter anywhere that you want in a graph using the CUSTOM_POSITION position constant in conjunction with the **RTPanelMeter.SetLocation** method. The table below summarizes the panel meter positioning constants used in the software.

Positioning Constants

CUSTOM_POSITION	Custom position specified using the **RTPanelMeter.SetLocation** method. Position can be set using the DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS coordinate systems. Set the justification of the panel meter box using the **StringLabel** or **NumericLabel** template of the specific panel meter class.
CENTERED_BAR	Used when the panel meter is attached to a bar indicator. Centers the panel meter inside the bar indicator. If the object is not a bar indicator the panel meter is centered inside the plotting area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_CENTER)

OUTSIDE_BAR	Used when the panel meter is attached to a bar indicator. Places the panel meter on the outside edge of the bar indicator. If the object is not a bar indicator the panel meter is placed on the outside edge of the plotting area maximum. Text justification depends on the bar orientation: Vertical Bars (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN), Horizontal Bars (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
INSIDE_BAR	Used when the panel meter is attached to a bar indicator. Places the panel meter on the inside edge of the bar indicator. If the object is not a bar indicator the panel meter is placed on the inside edge of the plotting area maximum. Text justification depends on the bar orientation: Vertical Bars (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX), Horizontal Bars (JUSTIFY_MAX, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
INSIDE_BARBASE	Used when the panel meter is attached to a bar indicator. Places the panel meter on the inside edge of the bar base of the indicator. If the object is not a bar indicator the panel meter is placed on the inside edge of the plotting area minimum. Text justification depends on the bar orientation: Vertical Bars (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN), Horizontal Bars (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
OUTSIDE_BARBASE	Used when the panel meter is attached to a bar indicator. Places the panel meter on the outside edge of the bar base of the indicator. If the object is not a bar indicator the panel meter is placed on the outside edge of the plotting area maximum. Text justification depends on the bar orientation: : Vertical Bars (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX), Horizontal Bars (JUSTIFY_MAX, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
INSIDE_INDICATOR	Same as INSIDE_BAR.
OUTSIDE_INDICATOR	Same as OUTSIDE_BAR.
BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT	Used when it is desired that the panel meter be positioned next to another object. Places the panel meter below the reference object. Specify the position reference object using the **PanelMeter.SetPositionReference** method. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX).
ABOVE_REFERENCED_TEXT	Used when it is desired that the panel meter be positioned next to another object. Places the panel meter above the reference object. Specify the position reference object using the **PanelMeter.SetPositionReference** method. Text justification

	is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN).
RIGHT_REFERENCED_TEXT	Used when it is desired that the panel meter be positioned next to another object. Places the panel meter to the right of the reference object. Specify the position reference object using the **PanelMeter.SetPositionReference** method. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
LEFT_REFERENCED_TEXT	Used when it is desired that the panel meter be positioned next to another object. Places the panel meter to the left of the reference object. Specify the position reference object using the **PanelMeter.SetPositionReference** method. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_MAX, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
BELOW_CENTERED_PLOTAREA	Positions the panel meter centered, below the plot area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX).
ABOVE_CENTERED_PLOTAREA	Positions the panel meter centered, above the plot area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN).
LEFT_CENTERED_PLOTAREA	Positions the panel meter centered, to the left of the plot area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_MAX, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
RIGHT_CENTERED_PLOTAREA	Positions the panel meter centered, to the right of the plot area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
GRAPHAREA_TOP	Positions the panel meter centered, at the top edge of the graph area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX).
GRAPHAREA_BOTTOM.	Positions the panel meter centered, at the bottom edge of the graph area. Text justification is set to (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN).
RADIUS_BOTTOM	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the bottom, at the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. You can set the text justification however you want.
RADIUS_TOP	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the top, at the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. You can set the text justification however you want.
RADIUS_LEFT	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter on the left, at the radius of the

	MeterCoordinates system. You can set the text justification however you want.
RADIUS_RIGHT	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter on the right, at the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. You can set the text justification however you want.
RADIUS_CENTER	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the center of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. You can set the text justification however you want.
OUTSIDE_RADIUS_BOTTOM	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the bottom, centered on the outside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX).
INSIDE_RADIUS_BOTTOM	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the bottom, centered on the inside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN).
CENTER_RADIUS_BOTTOM	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the bottom, centered on the inside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_CENTER).
OUTSIDE_RADIUS_TOP	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the top, centered on the outside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MIN).
INSIDE_RADIUS_TOP	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the top, centered on the inside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX).
CENTER_RADIUS_TOP	Used when the panel meter is attached to a meter indicator. Places the panel meter at the top, centered on the inside edge of the radius of the **MeterCoordinates** system. Text justification is (JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_CENTER).

A particularly useful property is **RTPanelMeter.PanelMeterNudge**. After you get the panel meter positioned approximately where you want, you may find that it just a couple of pixels too close to some other object, whether it be an indicator, axis, or text object.

You can nudge the panel meter in any direction with respect to its calculated position. The **PanelMeterNudge** property uses device (or pixel) coordinates.

[C#]

```
RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
    new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,4);
```

[VB]

```
Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, 4)
```

Numeric Panel Meter

Class RTNumericPanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTNumericPanelMeter

The **RTNumericPanelMeter** class displays the floating point numeric value of an **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF NumericLabel** class that is used to specify the font and numeric format information associated with the panel meter.

RTNumericPanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]
public RTNumericPanelMeter(
```

```
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTNumericPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTNumericPanelMeter** object.

datasource

The process variable associated with the panel meter.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

NumericTemplate	Set/Get the **NumericLabel** template for the panel meter numeric value. The text properties associated with the panel meter are set using this property. In addition, the format of the numeric value and the number of digits to the right of the decimal point is also set here.

A complete listing of **RTNumericPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example

The panel meter below, extracted from the Treadmill example, method **InitializeRightPanelMeters**, is an independent panel meter that displays the METSCumlative process variable. The positioning is accomplished using the **RTPanelMeter.SetLocation** method**,** which in this case places the panel meter using normalized graph coordinates. The size of the panel meter is determined by two things, the font size, which in this case is 64, and the number of digits used in the display. In order to keep the panel meter box from constantly changing size if the number of digits changes, the panel meter box is sized to accommodate the range of values specified by the **RTProcessVar.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue** and **RTProcessVar.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue**.

[C#]

```
public void InitializeRightPanelMeters()
{
    Font numericfont = font38Numeric;
    Font trackbarTitlefont = font12Bold;

    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0) ;
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.LightBlue, 2,DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);
    ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,2,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter1 =
        new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, METSCumlative,panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = numericfont;
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
    panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION;
    panelmeter1.SetLocation(0.81,0.3, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter1);
    .
    .
    .
}
```

[VB]

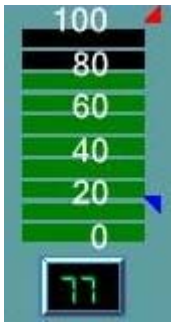
```
Public Sub InitializeRightPanelMeters()
   Dim numericfont As Font = font38Numeric
    Dim trackbarTitlefont As Font = font12Bold

    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
```

```
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
    Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 2, _
           DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)
    Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 2, _
           DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
    Dim panelmeter1 As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
           METSCumlative, panelmeterattrib)
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = numericfont
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
    panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION
    panelmeter1.SetLocation(0.81, 0.3, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter1)
.
.
.
End Sub 'InitializeRightPanelMeters
```

Example of RTNumericPanelMeter used with an RTBarIndicator

The panel meter below, extracted from the HybridCar example, method **InitializeBatteryChargeGraph**, is an **RTNumericPanelMeter** attached to a **RTBarIndicator** bar plot object.. The position of the panel meter is OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN, which places underneath the dynamic bar. The size of the panel meter is determined by two things, the font size, which in this case is 14, and the number of digits used in the display.

Note: Unlike the previous example, the panel meter is not added to the **ChartView** (*chartVu* above); instead it is added to the **RTBarIndicator** (*barplot* below). The panel meter will assume the values of the **RTProcessVar** used by the bar plot.



[C#]

```
RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
    batteryCharge,  barwidth,  barbase,
```

```
    attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
.
.
.
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
       new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
ChartAttribute paneltagmeterattrib =
       new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
       new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
       ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,2);
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);
```

[VB]

```
Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, batteryCharge, barwidth, _
    barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
.
.
.
Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
Dim paneltagmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)

Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
       ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, 2)
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)
```

Alarm Panel Meter

Class RTAlarmPanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTAlarmPanelMeter

The **RTAlarmPanelMeter** class displays the alarm state of an **RTProcessVar** object. It pulls alarm text and color information out of the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF StringLabel** class that is used to specify the font and numeric format information associated with the panel meter.

RTAlarmPanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public RTAlarmPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);

public RTAlarmPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform
The coordinate system for the new **RTAlarmPanelMeter** object.
datasource
The process variable associated with the panel meter.
attrib
The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

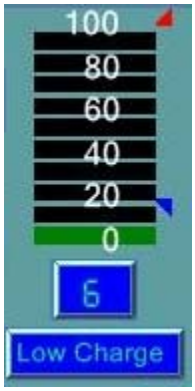
AlarmTemplate	Get/Set the string template defining the panel meter alarm string format. The text properties associated with the panel meter are set using this property.

A complete listing of **RTAlarmPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example of RTAlarmPanelMeter used with RTBarIndicator

The panel meter below, extracted from the HybridCar example, method **InitializeBatteryChargeGraph,** adds an **RTAlarmPanelMeter** underneath the numeric panel meter.

Note: The **RTAlarmPanelMeter** uses the BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT positioning constant, and sets the **RTAlarmPanelMeter.SetPositionReference** to the numeric panel meter.



[C#]

```
RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
    batteryCharge,  barwidth,  barbase,
    attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
.
.
.
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
       new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
ChartAttribute paneltagmeterattrib =
       new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
```

```
        new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,2);
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

RTAlarmPanelMeter panelmeter2 = new RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1,
        panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font14;
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);
```

[VB]

```
Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, batteryCharge, barwidth, _
    barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
.
.
.
Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
Dim paneltagmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)

Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, 2)
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)
```

```
Dim panelmeter2 As New RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font14
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =  _
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)
```

String Panel Meter

Class RTStringPanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTStringPanelMeter

The **RTStringPanelMeter** class displays a string, either an arbitrary string, or a string based on string data in the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It is usually used to display a channels tag string and units string, but it can also be used to display longer descriptive strings. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF StringLabel** class that is used to specify the font and string format information associated with the panel.

RTStringPanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal stringtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal stringtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTStringPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int stringtype
);

public RTStringPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int stringtype
);


public RTStringPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTStringPanelMeter** object.

datasource

The process variable associated with the panel meter.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

stringtype

Specifies what string to display, whether it is one of the process variable strings, or a custom string. Use one of the Panel Meter string constants: RT_CUSTOM_STRING, RT_TAG_STRING , RT_UNITS_STRING. Specify a custom string and use the **StringTemplate.TextString** property to set the string.

Selected Public Instance Properties

StringTemplate	Get/Set the string template defining the panel meter string format. The text properties associated with the panel meter are set using this property.

A complete listing of **RTStringPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTStringPanelMeter used with RTMultiBarIndicator

The panel meter below, extracted from the HybridCar example, method **InitializeMotorVariablesGraph**, adds an **RTStringPanelMeter** above the motor variables multi-bar indicator. It is used to display the process variable tag name as the title for each bar in the multi-value indicator.

Note: The **RTStringPanelMeter** only needs to be added once to the **RTMultiBarIndicator**. It automatically picks up on the tag name for each **RTProcessVar** object referenced by the **RTMultiBarIndicator**.

```
RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
    batteryCharge,  barwidth,  barbase,
    attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
.
.
.
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
ChartAttribute paneltagmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
        new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,2);
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);
.
.
.
```

```
RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 =  new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1,
       paneltagmeterattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX;
panelmeter3.TextColor= Color.Black;
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14;
panelmeter3.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,-4);
panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3);

chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot);
```

[VB]

```
Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, batteryCharge, barwidth, _
    barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
.
.
.
Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
Dim paneltagmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)

Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, 2)
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)
.
.
.
Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
    paneltagmeterattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX
panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14
panelmeter3.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, -4)
panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
```

```
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot)
```

Time/Date Panel Meter

Class RTTimePanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTTimePanelMeter

The **RTTimePanelMeter** class displays the time/date value of the time stamp of the associated **RTProcessVar** object. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D CF TimeLabel** class that is used to specify the font and time/date format information associated with the panel meter.

RTTimePanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]
public RTTimePanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);

public RTTimePanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTTimePanelMeter** object.

datasource

The process variable associated with the panel meter.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

TimeTemplate	Set/Get the **TimeLabel** template for the panel meter time/date value. The text properties associated with the panel meter are set using this property. In addition, the time or calendar format of the time/date value is also set here.

A complete listing of **RTTimePanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTTimePanelMeter

The panel meter below, extracted from the Treadmill example, method **InitializeElapsedTimePanelMeter**, adds an **RTTimePanelMeter** as an independent panel meter at the bottom of the display. In this example the plot area of the coordinate system is set for the position of the **RTTimePanelMeter** using **pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(..)**. It is positioned inside the plot area using the INSIDE_INDICATOR position constant. A string panel meter places a title above the time panel meter.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.285, .95, 0.535, 1.0) ;
```

```
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib = new
    ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,2,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
RTTimePanelMeter panelmeter = new
    RTTimePanelMeter(pTransform1, timeOfDay,panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TextFont = font24Numeric;
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TimeFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter);

ChartAttribute panelmetertagattrib = new
    ChartAttribute(Color.Beige,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Beige);
RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 = new  RTStringPanelMeter
    (pTransform1, timeOfDay, panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14;
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.ABOVE_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter3.SetPositionReference(panelmeter);
panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black;
chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter3);
```

[VB]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me

Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.285, 0.95, 0.535, 1.0)

Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 2, _
     DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
Dim panelmeter As New RTTimePanelMeter(pTransform1, timeOfDay, _
    panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TextFont = font24Numeric
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TimeFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter)

Dim panelmetertagattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Beige, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Beige)
Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
    timeOfDay, panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.ABOVE_REFERENCED_TEXT
```

```
panelmeter3.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)

panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black

chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter3)
```

Class RTElapsedTimePanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTElapsedTimePanelMeter

The **RTElapsedTimePanelMeter** class displays the elapsed time value of the time stamp of the associated **RTProcessVar** object, interpreting the numeric value of the time stamp in milliseconds. It contains a template based on the **QCChart2D ElapsedTimeLabel** class that is used to specify the font and time/date format information associated with the panel meter.

RTTimePanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public RTElapsedTimePanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTElapsedTimePanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTTimePanelMeter** object.

datasource

The process variable associated with the panel meter.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

ElapsedTimeTemplate	Set/Get the **ElapsedTimeLabel** template for the panel meter time/date value. The text properties associated with the panel meter are set using this property. In addition, the time or calendar format of the time/date value is also set here.

A complete listing of **RTElapsedTimePanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTElpasedTimePanelMeter

The panel meter below, extracted from the Treadmill example, method **InitializeStopWatchTimePanelMeter**, adds an **RTElapsedTimePanelMeter** as an independent panel meter at the bottom of the display. In this example the plot area of the coordinate system is set for the position of the **RTElapsedTimePanelMeter** using **pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(..)**. It is positioned inside the plot area using the INSIDE_INDICATOR position constant. A string panel meter places a title above the time panel meter.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.53, .85, 0.72, 0.96) ;

ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,3,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
RTElapsedTimePanelMeter panelmeter =
```

```
    new RTElapsedTimePanelMeter(pTransform1, stopWatch, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_INDICATOR;
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TextFont = font32Numeric;
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TimeFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS;
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter);
```

[VB]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0R, 0.0R, 1.0R, 1.0R)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.53, 0.85, 0.72, 0.96)

Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 3, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Black)
Dim panelmeter As New RTElapsedTimePanelMeter(pTransform1, stopWatch,
panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_INDICATOR
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TextFont = font32Numeric
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.TimeFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS
panelmeter.TimeTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
chartVu.AddChartObject(panelmeter)
```

Form Control Panel Meter

Class RTFormControlPanelMeter

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTPanelMeter
RTFormControlPanelMeter

The **RTFormControlPanelMeter** encapsulates an **RTFormControl** object (buttons and track bars primarily, though others will also work) in a panel meter format. This allows it

to use the **RTPanelMeter** positioning constants to position the form controls with respect to indicators, plot areas, text, and other panel meters.

.

RTFormControlPanelMeter constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal formcontrol As Control, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal formcontrol As Control, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]

public RTFormControlPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   Control formcontrol,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTFormControlPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Control formcontrol,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTFormControlPanelMeter** object.

formcontrol

A reference to the **Form.Control** assigned to this panel meter.

datasource

The process variable associated with the control.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter indicator.

Selected Instance Properties

ControlSizeMode	Set/Get to the size mode for the Control. Use one of the Control size mode constants: RT_ORIG_CONTROL_SIZE, RT_MIN_CONTROL_SIZE, RT_INDICATORRECT_CONTROL_SIZE.

A complete listing of **RTFormControlPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTControlTrackbar in an RTFormControlPanelMeter

The panel meter below, extracted from the Treadmill example, method **InitializeLeftPanelMeters**, adds an **RTFormControlPanelMeter** as an independent panel meter at the left of the display. In this example the plot area of the coordinate system is set for the position of the **RTFormPanelMeter using pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(..)**. It is positioned inside the plot area using the CUSTOM_POSITION position constant. The lower left cornet of the form control is placed at the (0.0, 0.0) position of the plot area in PHYS_POS coordinates. The size of the form control is set to the size of the plot area, (width = 1.0, height = 1.0) in PHYS_POS coordinates.

[C#]

```
Font trackbarfont = font38Numeric;
Font trackbarTitlefont = font12Bold;

ChartView chartVu  = this;

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, .12, 0.06, 0.3) ;

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.LightBlue, 2,
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);

runnersPaceTrackbar = new RTControlTrackBar(0.0, 15.0, 0.1, 1.0, 1);
runnersPaceTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Vertical;
runnersPaceTrackbar.RTValue = 3; // MUST USE RTValue to set double value

RTFormControlPanelMeter formControlTrackBar1 =
    new RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPaceTrackbar, attrib1);
formControlTrackBar1.RTDataSource = runnersPace;
formControlTrackBar1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION;
formControlTrackBar1.SetLocation(0,0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
formControlTrackBar1.FormControlSize= new Dimension(1.2,1.0);
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,2,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter1 = new
    RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPace,panelmeterattrib);
```

```
panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = trackbarfont;
panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 1;
panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RIGHT_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter1.SetPositionReference( formControlTrackBar1);
formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter1);

ChartAttribute panelmetertagattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Beige,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Beige);
RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter2 =  new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1,
    runnersPace, panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter1);
panelmeter2.StringTemplate.TextFont = trackbarTitlefont;
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.Black;
formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);

chartVu.AddChartObject(formControlTrackBar1);
```

[VB]

```
Dim trackbarfont As Font = font38Numeric
Dim trackbarTitlefont As Font = font12Bold

Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me

Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, 0.12, 0.06, 0.3)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 2, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)

runnersPaceTrackbar = New RTControlTrackBar(0.0, 15.0, 0.1, 1.0, 1)
runnersPaceTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Vertical
runnersPaceTrackbar.RTValue = 3 ' MUST USE RTValue to set double value
Dim formControlTrackBar1 As New _
    RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPaceTrackbar, attrib1)
formControlTrackBar1.RTDataSource = runnersPace
formControlTrackBar1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION
formControlTrackBar1.SetLocation(0, 0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
```

```
formControlTrackBar1.FormControlSize = New Dimension(1.2, 1.0)
Dim panelmeterattrib As New _
    ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 2, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
Dim panelmeter1 As New _
    RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPace, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = trackbarfont
panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 1
panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RIGHT_REFERENCED_TEXT
panelmeter1.SetPositionReference(formControlTrackBar1)
formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter1)

Dim panelmetertagattrib As New _
    ChartAttribute(Color.Beige, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Beige)
Dim panelmeter2 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
    runnersPace, panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter1)
panelmeter2.StringTemplate.TextFont = trackbarTitlefont
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.Black
formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)

chartVu.AddChartObject(formControlTrackBar1)
```

6. Single Channel Bar Indicator

RTBarIndicator

An **RTBarIndicator** is used to display the current value of an **RTProcessVar** using the height or width of a bar. One end of each bar is always fixed at the specified base value. Bars can change their size either in vertical or horizontal direction. Sub types within the **RTBarIndicator** class support segmented bars, custom segmented bars with variable width segments, and pointer bar indicators. Panel meters can be attached to the bar indicator, where they provide text for numeric read outs, alarm warnings, descriptions and titles.

Bar Indicator

Class RTBarIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTBarIndicator

The bar indicator is a relatively simple plot object that resides in the plot area of the specified coordinate system. It is usually combined with axes and axis labels, though this is not required. Since the bar indicator does not include axes or axis labels as option, it is up to the user to explicitly create axis and axis label objects for the bar indicator graph. The **QCChart2D CF** axis and axis labels routines make this easy to do.

RTBarIndicator constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal barwidth As Double, _
   ByVal barbase As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal barjust As Integer, _
   ByVal barorient As Integer _
)
[C#]
public RTBarIndicator(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   double barwidth,
```

```
   double barbase,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int barjust,
   int barorient
);
```

Parameters

transform
The coordinate system for the new **RTBarIndicator** object.

datasource
The process variable associated with the bar indicator.

barwidth
The width of the bar in physical units .

barbase
The base of the bar in physical units.

attrib
The color attributes of the bar indicator.

barjust
The justification of bars. Use one of the bar justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX..

barorient
The orientation of the bar indicator: HORIZ_DIR or VERT_DIR.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmIndicatorColorMode (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set whether the color of the indicator objects changes on an alarm. Use one of the constants: RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE, RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM.
BarDatapointLabelPosition (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Bar plots that support the display of data point values have the option of displaying the data point's numeric values above the bar, below the bar, or centered in the bar. Use one of the data point label position constants: INSIDE_BAR, OUTSIDE_BAR, or CENTERED_BAR.
BarJust (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the justification of bars in bar graph plot objects. Use one of the bar justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, or JUSTIFY_MAX.
BarOffset	Set/Get the bar offset from its fixed x or y value in physical units.
BarOrient (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the orientation (HORIZ_DIR or VERT_DIR) for bar plots.
BarSpacing (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the spacing between adjacent items in multi-channel plots.

BarWidth (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the width of bars, in physical coordinates, for bar plots.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
ChartObjClipping (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the object clipping mode. Use one of the object clipping constants: NO_CLIPPING, GRAPH_AREA_CLIPPING, PLOT_AREA_CLIPPING, or INHERIT_CLIPPING.
ChartObjComponent (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the **ChartView** component that the chart object is placed in
ChartObjEnable (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Enables/Disables the chart object. A chart object is drawn only if it is enabled. A chart object is enabled by default.
ChartObjScale (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the PhysicalCoordinates object that the chart object is placed in
CurrentProcessValue (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get the current process value of the primary channel.
FillBaseValue (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the base value, in physical coordinates, of solid (bars and filled areas) plot objects.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
IndicatorBackground	Get/Set the background attribute of the bar indicator.
IndicatorBackgroundEnable	Set to true to enable the display of the bar indicator background.
IndicatorSubType	Get/Set the bar indicator sub type: RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE, RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE, RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE, RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE.
LabelTemplateDecimalPos (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the **PlotLabelTemplate** property.
LabelTemplateNumericFormat (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the numeric format of the **PlotLabelTemplate** property.

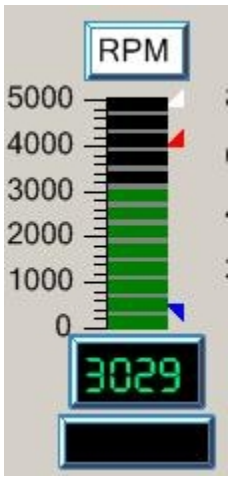
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line style for the chart object.
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
NumChannels (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Get the number of channels in the indicator.
PlotLabelTemplate (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the plot objects data point template. If the plot supports it, this **NumericLabel** object is used as a template to size, color and format the data point numeric values.
PointerSymbolNum	Set/Get the symbol used for the pointer symbol indicator subtype, RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE. Use one of the constants: RT_NO_SYMBOL, RT_LEFT_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL.RT_LEFT_SET POINT_SYMBOL. RT_LEFT_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL , RT_RIGHT_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_RIGHT_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_RIGHT_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_TOP_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL , RT_TOP_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_TOP_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL.
PrimaryChannel (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the primary channel of the indicator.
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.
SegmentCornerRadius	Get/Set the corner radius used to draw the segment rounded rectangles.
SegmentSpacing	Get/Set the segments spacing for the RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE bar indicator sub types.
SegmentValueRoundMode	Set/Get the segment value round mode. Specifies that the current process value is rounded up in calculating how many segments to display in

	RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE modes. Use one of the constants: RT_FLOOR_VALUE, RT_CEILING_VALUE.
SegmentWidth	Get/Set the thickness of segments for the RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE bar indicator sub types.
ShowDatapointValue (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	If the plot supports it, this method will turn on/off the display of data values next to the associated data point.
StepMode (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the plot objects step mode. Use one of the line plot step constants: NO_STEP, STEP_START, STEP_END, or STEP_NO_RISE_LINE.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the ChartView object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTBarIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for an RTBarIndicator Segmented Bar Indicator

The bar indicator example below, extracted from the Dynamometer example, method **InitializeEngine1RPMIndicator**, creates the segmented bar RPM indicator in the upper left corner of the graph. It demonstrates how the plot area is defined for the bar indicator, how to create axes and axis labels. An **RTAlarmIndicator** is also created to display the alarm limit symbols to the right of the bar indicator. The image below also includes an **RTStringPanelMeter** for the "RPM" tag, an **RTNumericPanelMeter** for the numeric readout below the bar indicator, and an **RTAlarmPanelMeter** below that. See the Dynamometer example program for the complete program listing that creates all of these objects.



[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
    new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, engineRPM.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue,
        1.0, engineRPM.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.75, 0.1, 0.81, 0.325) ;

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new
    ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
double barwidth = 1.0, barbase = 0.0;
int barjust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
int barorient = ChartObj.VERT_DIR;

LinearAxis baraxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
baraxis.AxisTickDir = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;
baraxis.AxisIntercept = 1.4;
baraxis.AxisTickSpace = 100;
baraxis.AxisMinorTicksPerMajor = 10;
baraxis.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE_NODRAW;

chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis);

RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
    engineRPM,  barwidth,  barbase,
    attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
barplot.SegmentSpacing = 600;
barplot.SegmentWidth= 420;
barplot.IndicatorBackground =
```

```
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
barplot.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE;
barplot.SegmentCornerRadius = 0;
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE;

RTAlarmIndicator baralarms =
    new     RTAlarmIndicator(baraxis, barplot);
chartVu.AddChartObject(baralarms);

ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
ChartAttribute paneltagmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
    new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,2);
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

RTAlarmPanelMeter panelmeter2 = new RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1,
panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen;
panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font14;
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);

RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 = new
    RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, paneltagmeterattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX;
panelmeter3.TextColor= Color.Black;
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14;
panelmeter3.PanelMeterNudge = new Point2D(0,-4);
panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3);
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot);
```

[VB]

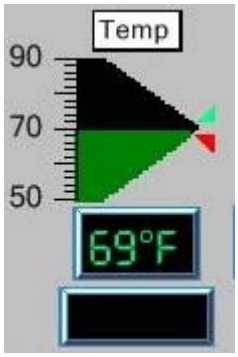
```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me

Dim pTransform1 As New _
    CartesianCoordinates(0.0, engineRPM.DefaultMinimumDisplayValue, 1.0, _
    engineRPM.DefaultMaximumDisplayValue)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.75, 0.1, 0.81, 0.325)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barwidth As Double = 1.0
Dim barbase As Double = 0.0
Dim barjust As Integer = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
Dim barorient As Integer = ChartObj.VERT_DIR

Dim baraxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
baraxis.AxisTickDir = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
baraxis.AxisIntercept = 1.4
baraxis.AxisTickSpace = 100
baraxis.AxisMinorTicksPerMajor = 10
baraxis.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE_NODRAW

chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis)

Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, engineRPM, barwidth, _
    barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
barplot.SegmentSpacing = 600
barplot.SegmentWidth = 420
barplot.IndicatorBackground = New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
barplot.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE
barplot.SegmentCornerRadius = 0
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE

Dim baralarms As New RTAlarmIndicator(baraxis, barplot)
chartVu.AddChartObject(baralarms)

Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
```

```
Dim paneltagmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 0, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)

Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
panelmeter.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font16Numeric
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
panelmeter.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, 2)
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)

Dim panelmeter2 As New RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT
panelmeter2.TextColor = Color.SpringGreen
panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font14
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
    ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)

Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
    paneltagmeterattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX
panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14
panelmeter3.PanelMeterNudge = New Point2D(0, -4)
panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot)
```

Example for an RTBarIndicator Custom Segmented Bar Indicator

The custom bar indicator example below, extracted from the HomeAutomation example, method **InitializeCustomBarIndicator**, uses a segmented bar indicator to display the temperature. It uses a special feature that allows the width of the each bar segment to be calculated as a function of the height. This is done by subclassing the **RTBarIndicator** class and overriding the **GetCustomBarWidth** and **GetCustomBarOffset** methods. In the **CustomRTBarIndicator** example below, the width of the bar is calculated using a function based on the deviation of the current temperature from the *temperatureSetpoint* value. Calculating the bar width as a function of the bar height only works with the

segmented bar subtypes. If you want a solid bar, make the **RTBarIndicator.SegmentWidth** and **RTBarIndicator.SegmetSpacing** values small, and the same, as in the example below.



[C#]

```
public class CustomRTBarIndicator :  RTBarIndicator
{
    double temperatureSetpoint = 70;
    public CustomRTBarIndicator(PhysicalCoordinates transform,
        RTProcessVar datasource, double barwidth, double barbase,
        ChartAttribute attrib,  int barjust, int barorient):
        base(transform, datasource, barwidth, barbase, attrib, barjust, barorient)
        {
        }

        public override double GetCustomBarOffset(double v)
        {
            double offset = 0.0;
            return offset;
        }

        public override double GetCustomBarWidth(double v)
        {
            // Calculate width as fraction of initial bar width
            double width = 1.0;
            // Bar widest at setpoint, narrowest at endpoints
            // Clamp width to 0.05 to 1.0 range
            width = Math.Max(0.05,this.BarWidth -
                    Math.Abs(0.04 * (v - temperatureSetpoint)));
            width = Math.Min(1.0,width);
            return width;
```

```
        }

        public double TemperatureSetpoint
        {
            get {return temperatureSetpoint; }
            set { temperatureSetpoint = value; }
        }
    }


public void InitializeCustomBarIndicator( )
{
.
.
.

    barplot = new CustomRTBarIndicator(pTransform1,  currentTemperature1,
                barwidth,  barbase, attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
    barplot.IndicatorBackground =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    barplot.SegmentSpacing = 1;
    barplot.SegmentWidth= 1;
    barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE;.
.
.
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot);
.
.
.
}
```

[VB]

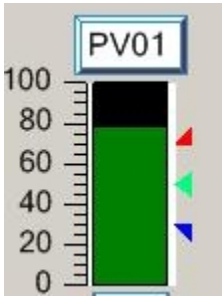
```
Public Class CustomRTBarIndicator  Inherits RTBarIndicator
Private temperatureSetpointD As Double = 70

    Public Sub New(ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
            ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
            ByVal barwidth As Double, ByVal barbase As Double, _
            ByVal attrib As CHARTATTRIBUTE, ByVal barjust As Integer, _
            ByVal barorient As Integer)
             MyBase.New(transform, datasource, barwidth, _
```

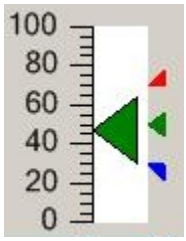
```
                barbase, attrib, barjust, barorient)
    End Sub 'New


    Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarOffset(ByVal v As Double) As Double
    Dim offset As Double = 0.0
    Return offset
    End Function 'GetCustomBarOffset


    Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarWidth(ByVal v As Double) As Double
    ' Calculate width as fraction of initial bar width
    Dim width As Double = 1.0
    ' Bar widest at setpoint, narrowest at endpoints
    ' Clamp width to 0.05 to 1.0 range
       width = Math.Max(0.05,  _
              Me.BarWidth - Math.Abs((0.04 * (v - TemperatureSetpoint))))
       width = Math.Min(1.0, width)
       Return width
     End Function 'GetCustomBarWidth

     '/<summary>
     '/ Set/Get local setpoint
     '/</summary>

     Public Property TemperatureSetpoint() As Double
        Get
            Return temperatureSetpointD
        End Get
        Set(ByVal Value As Double)
            temperatureSetpointD = Value
        End Set
     End Property
End Class 'CustomRTBarIndicator



Public Sub InitializeCustomBarIndicator()
.
.
.
    barplot = New CustomRTBarIndicator(pTransform1, currentTemperature1, _
            barwidth, barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
```

```
    barplot.IndicatorBackground = New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
    barplot.SegmentSpacing = 1
    barplot.SegmentWidth = 1
    barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE
.
.
.
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot)
End Sub 'InitializeCustomBarIndicator
```

Example for an RTBarIndicator Solid Bar Indicator and Pointer Indicator

Setting up the solid bar and pointer indicators are pretty much identical to the segmented bar indicator. The examples below are extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example program, file DynBarsControl1, method **InitializeBar1**. The default value for the **IndicatorSubType** property is RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE so that does not even need to be set.





[C#]

```
// For solid bar indicator
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
double barwidth = 1.0, barbase = 0.0;
int barjust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
int barorient = ChartObj.VERT_DIR;
.
.
RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
        processVar1,  barwidth,  barbase,
        attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE;


// For Pointer indicator
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
```

```
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
double barwidth = 1.0, barbase = 0.0;
int barjust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
int barorient = ChartObj.VERT_DIR;
.
.
attrib1.SymbolSize = 22;
RTBarIndicator barplot = new RTBarIndicator(pTransform1,
        processVar1,  barwidth, barbase,
        attrib1,   barjust,  barorient);
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE;
```

[VB]

```
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barwidth As Double = 1.0
Dim barbase As Double = 0.0
Dim barjust As Integer = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
Dim barorient As Integer = ChartObj.VERT_DIR
.
.
.
Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, processVar1, _
    barwidth, barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE


' For Pointer indicator
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barwidth As Double = 1.0
Dim barbase As Double = 0.0
Dim barjust As Integer = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
Dim barorient As Integer = ChartObj.VERT_DIR
.
.
attrib1.SymbolSize = 22
Dim barplot As New RTBarIndicator(pTransform1, processVar1, _
    barwidth, barbase, attrib1, barjust, barorient)
barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE
```

7. Multiple Channel Bar Indicator

RTMultiBarIndicator

An **RTMultiBarIndicator** is used to display the current value of a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects using a group of bars changing size. The bars are always fixed at the specified base value. Bars can change their size either in vertical or horizontal direction. Sub types within the **RTMultiBarIndicator** class support segmented bars, custom segmented bars with variable width segments, and pointer bar indicators.

Multiple Channel Bar Indicator

Class RTMultiBarIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTMultiBarIndicator

The multi-bar indicator displays a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects that are related, or at the very least comparable, when bar graphed against one another using the same physical coordinate system.. It is usually combined with axes and axis labels, though this is not required. Since the bar indicator does not include axes or axis labels as option, it is up to the user to explicitly create axis and axis label objects for the bar indicator graph. The **QCChart2D CF** axis and axis labels routines make this easy to do.

When an **RTPanelMeter** object is added to an **RTMultiBarIndicator**, it is used as a template to create a multiple panel meters, one for each bar of the multi-bar indicator. The panel meter for each bar will reference the process variable information associated with that bar, stored in the **RTProcessVar** objects attached to the multi-bar indicator.

RTMultiBarIndicator constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar(), _
   ByVal barwidth As Double, _
   ByVal barspacing As Double, _
   ByVal barbase As Double, _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal barjust As Integer, _
   ByVal barorient As Integer _
)

[C#]
public RTMultiBarIndicator(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
```

```
    RTProcessVar[] datasource,
    double barwidth,
    double barspacing,
    double barbase,
    ChartAttribute[] attribs,
    int barjust,
    int barorient
);
```

Parameters

transform
The coordinate system for the new **RTMultiBarIndicator** object.

datasource
An array of the process variables associated with the bar indicator.

barwidth
The width of each bar in physical units.

barspacing
The space between adjacent bars in physical units.

barbase
The base of the bar in physical units.

attribs
An array of the color attributes of the bar indicator.

barjust
The justification of bars. Use one of the bar justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX..

barorient
The orientation of the bar indicator: HORIZ_DIR or VERT_DIR.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmIndicatorColorMode (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set whether the color of the indicator objects changes on an alarm. Use one of the constants: RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE, RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM..
BarDatapointLabelPosition (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Bar plots that support the display of data point values have the option of displaying the data point's numeric values above the bar, below the bar, or centered in the bar. Use one of the data point label position constants: INSIDE_BAR, OUTSIDE_BAR, or CENTERED_BAR.
BarJust (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the justification of bars in bar graph plot objects. Use one of the bar justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, or JUSTIFY_MAX.
BarOffset	Set/Get the bar offset from its fixed x or y value in physical units.
BarOrient (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the orientation (HORIZ_DIR or VERT_DIR) for bar plots.

BarSpacing (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the spacing between adjacent items in multi-channel plots.
BarWidth (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the width of bars, in physical coordinates, for bar plots.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
ChartObjClipping (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the object clipping mode. Use one of the object clipping constants: NO_CLIPPING, GRAPH_AREA_CLIPPING, PLOT_AREA_CLIPPING, or INHERIT_CLIPPING.
ChartObjComponent (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the **ChartView** component that the chart object is placed in
ChartObjEnable (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Enables/Disables the chart object. A chart object is drawn only if it is enabled. A chart object is enabled by default.
ChartObjScale (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the **PhysicalCoordinates** object that the chart object is placed in
CurrentProcessValue (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get the current process value of the primary channel.
FillBaseValue (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the base value, in physical coordinates, of solid (bars and filled areas) plot objects.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
IndicatorBackground	Get/Set the background attribute of the bar indicator.
IndicatorBackgroundEnable	Set to true to enable the display of the bar indicator background.
IndicatorSubType	Get/Set the bar indicator sub type: RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE, RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE, RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE, RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE.
LabelTemplateDecimalPos (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the **PlotLabelTemplate** property.
	Set/Get the numeric format of the **PlotLabelTemplate** property.

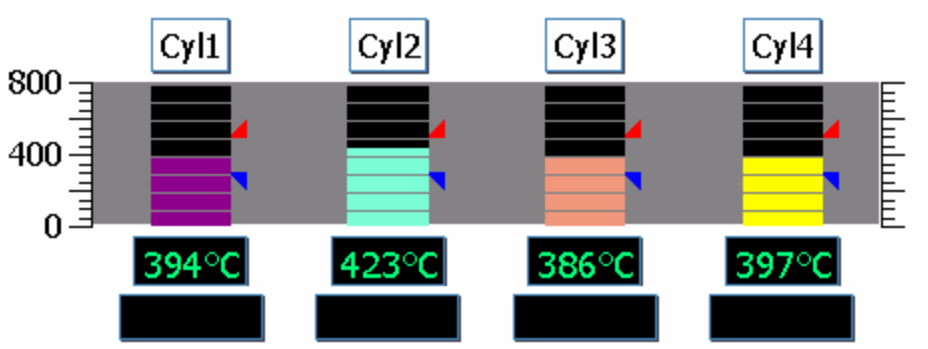
LabelTemplateNumericFormat (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line style for the chart object.
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
NumChannels (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Get the number of channels in the indicator.
PlotLabelTemplate (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the plot objects data point template. If the plot supports it, this **PlotLabelTemplate** object is used as a template to size, color and format the data point numeric values.
PointerSymbolNum	Set/Get the symbol used for the pointer symbol indicator subtype, RT_POINTER_SUBTYPE. Use one of the constants: RT_NO_SYMBOL, RT_LEFT_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL.RT_LEFT_SETPOINT_SYMBOL. RT_LEFT_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL , RT_RIGHT_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_RIGHT_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_RIGHT_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_TOP_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL , RT_TOP_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_TOP_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_LOW_ALARM_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_SETPOINT_SYMBOL, RT_BOTTOM_HIGH_ALARM_SYMBOL.
PrimaryChannel (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the primary channel of the indicator.
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.
SegmentCornerRadius	Get/Set the corner radius used to draw the segment rounded rectangles.
SegmentSpacing	Get/Set the segments spacing for the RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE bar indicator sub types.

SegmentValueRoundMode	Set/Get the segment value round mode. Specifies that the current process value is rounded up in calculating how many segments to display in RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE modes. Use one of the constants: RT_FLOOR_VALUE, RT_CEILING_VALUE.
SegmentWidth	Get/Set the thickness of segments for the RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE and RT_BAR_SINGLE_SEGMENT_SUBTYPE bar indicator sub types.
ShowDatapointValue (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	If the plot supports it, this method will turn on/off the display of data values next to the associated data point.
StepMode (inherited from **ChartPlot**)	Set/Get the plot objects step mode. Use one of the line plot step constants: NO_STEP, STEP_START, STEP_END, or STEP_NO_RISE_LINE.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTMultiBarIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for an RTMultiBarIndicator Segmented Bar Indicator

The multi-bar indicator example below, extracted from the Dynamometer example, method **InitializeEngine1TempIndicator**, creates the 4-bar segmented bar temperature indicator in the left upper section of the graph. It demonstrates how the plot area is defined for the multi-bar indicator, how to create axes and axis labels. An **RTAlarmIndicator** is also created to display the alarm limit symbols to the right of the bar indicator. The image below also includes an **RTStringPanelMeter** for the "Cyl#" tag, an **RTNumericPanelMeter** for the numeric readout below each bar indicator, and an **RTAlarmPanelMeter** below that. See the Dynamometer example program for the complete program listing that creates all of these objects.



[C#]

```
private void InitializeEngine1TempIndicator()
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 800.0);

    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.3, .16, 0.92, 0.33) ;

    Background background = new
        Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Gray);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

    ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.DarkMagenta,
        1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkMagenta);
    ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Aquamarine,
        1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Aquamarine);
    ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute (Color.DarkSalmon,
        1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkSalmon);
    ChartAttribute attrib4 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Yellow, 1,
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow);

    ChartAttribute []attribArray = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4};

    double barwidth = 0.1, barbase = 0.0, barspace = 0.25;
    int barjust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
    int barorient = ChartObj.VERT_DIR;

    LinearAxis baraxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis);

    LinearAxis baraxis2 = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
```

```
    baraxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform1.GetStopX());
    baraxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis2);

    NumericAxisLabels barAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(baraxis);
    barAxisLab.TextFont = font14;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barAxisLab);

// This uses an RTMultiProcessVar (EngineCylinders1) to initialize the indicator
    RTMultiBarIndicator barplot = new RTMultiBarIndicator(pTransform1,
        EngineCylinders1,  barwidth, barspace, barbase,
        attribArray,  barjust,  barorient);

    barplot.SegmentSpacing = 50;
    barplot.SegmentWidth= 30;
    barplot.IndicatorBackground = new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,
         DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    barplot.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE;
    barplot.SegmentCornerRadius = 0;
    barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE;

    RTMultiAlarmIndicator baralarms = new
        RTMultiAlarmIndicator(baraxis, barplot);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baralarms);
    ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    ChartAttribute paneltagmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

    RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
        new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN;
    panelmeter.TextColor = brightGreen;
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font15Numeric;
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = ((char) 176) + "C";
    panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
    barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

    RTAlarmPanelMeter panelmeter2 =
        new RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT;
```

```
    panelmeter2.TextColor = brightGreen;
    panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font12;
    panelmeter2.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
    panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM;
    barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);

    RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 =
         new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1,  paneltagmeterattrib,
        ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
    panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX;
    panelmeter3.TextColor= Color.Black;
    panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14;
    panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
    barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3);

    chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot);
}
```

[VB]

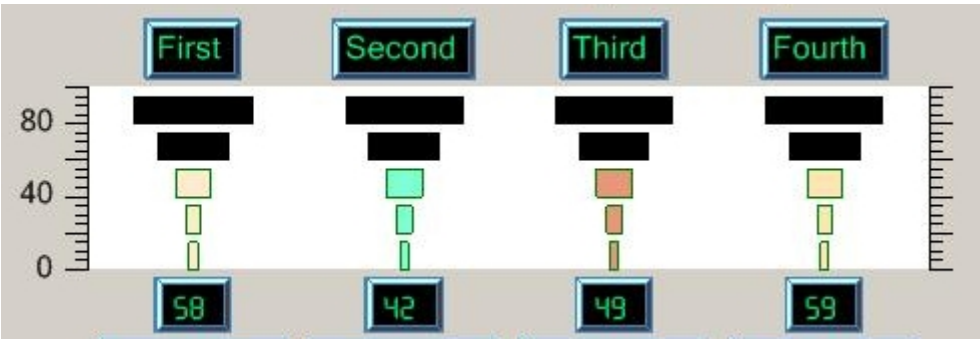
```
  Private Sub InitializeEngine1TempIndicator()
     Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
     Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 800.0)
     pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.3, 0.16, 0.92, 0.33)
     Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
       ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Gray)
     chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

     Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.DarkMagenta, 1, _
       DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkMagenta)
     Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Aquamarine, 1, _
       DashStyle.Solid, Color.Aquamarine)
     Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.DarkSalmon, 1, _
       DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkSalmon)
     Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1, _
       DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow)

     Dim attribArray As ChartAttribute() = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4}
     Dim barwidth As Double = 0.1
     Dim barbase As Double = 0.0
     Dim barspace As Double = 0.25
```

```
    Dim barjust As Integer = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
    Dim barorient As Integer = ChartObj.VERT_DIR

    Dim baraxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis)

    Dim baraxis2 As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
    baraxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform1.GetStopX())
    baraxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis2)

    Dim barAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(baraxis)
    barAxisLab.TextFont = font14
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barAxisLab)

    ' This uses an RTMultiProcessVar (EngineCylinders1) to initialize the
indicator
    Dim barplot As New RTMultiBarIndicator(pTransform1, _
       EngineCylinders1, barwidth, barspace, barbase, _
       attribArray, barjust, barorient)

    barplot.SegmentSpacing = 50
    barplot.SegmentWidth = 30
    barplot.IndicatorBackground = New _
       ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
    barplot.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE
    barplot.SegmentCornerRadius = 0
    barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE

    Dim baralarms As New RTMultiAlarmIndicator(baraxis, barplot)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baralarms)
    Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, _
       1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
    Dim paneltagmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, _
       1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)

    Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
        panelmeterattrib)
    panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MIN
    panelmeter.TextColor = brightGreen
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = font15Numeric
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = _
```

```
        ChrW(176) + "C"
      panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
      barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)

      Dim panelmeter2 As New RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, panelmeterattrib)
      panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT
      panelmeter2.TextColor = brightGreen
      panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = font12
      panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
      panelmeter2.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
        ChartObj.RT_TEXT_BACKGROUND_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM
      barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)

      Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
     paneltagmeterattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
      panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.OUTSIDE_PLOTAREA_MAX
      panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black
      panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = font14
      panelmeter3.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = _
        ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
      barplot.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3)

      chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot)
End Sub 'InitializeEngine1TempIndicator
```

Example for an RTMultiBarIndicator Custom Segmented Bar Indicator

The custom bar indicator example below is extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example, file **DynCustomBarsControl1**, method **InitializeBar3**. It uses a special feature that allows the width of the each bar segment to be calculated as a function of the height. This is done by subclassing the **RTBarIndicator** and **RTMultiBarIndicator** classes and overriding the **GetCustomBarWidth** and **GetCustomBarOffset** methods. In the example below, the width and offset of the bar is calculated using a function based on the height value. Calculating the bar width as a function of the bar height only works with the segmented bar subtypes. If you want a solid bar with custom widths, make the **RTBarIndicator.SegmentWidth** and **RTBarIndicator.SegmetSpacing** values equal and small.



[C#]

```
public class CustomRTMultiBarIndicator :  RTMultiBarIndicator
{
    public CustomRTMultiBarIndicator(PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    RTProcessVar []datasource, double barwidth, double barspacing, double barbase,
    ChartAttribute []attribs,  int barjust, int barorient):
            base(transform, datasource, barwidth, barspacing,
            barbase, attribs, barjust, barorient)
            {
            }
    public override double GetCustomBarOffset(double v)
    {
        // This centers the bar segments
        double offset =  this.BarWidth/2-GetCustomBarWidth(v)/2;
        return offset;
    }
    public override double GetCustomBarWidth(double v)
    {
        double width = 0.5;
        width = 0.01 + (v/100) * (v/100) * this.BarWidth;
        return width;
    }
}

private void InitializeBar3()
{
    RTProcessVar [] processVarArray =
        {processVar1, processVar2, processVar3, processVar4};
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 100.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.05, .475, 0.5, 0.65) ;
```

```
Background background =
    new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

ChartAttribute attrib1 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.BlanchedAlmond);
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Aquamarine);
ChartAttribute attrib3 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkSalmon);
ChartAttribute attrib4 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Moccasin);

ChartAttribute []attribArray = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4};

double barwidth = 0.20, barbase = 0.0, barspace = 0.25;
int barjust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
int barorient = ChartObj.VERT_DIR;

LinearAxis baraxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
baraxis.CalcAutoAxis();
chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis);

LinearAxis baraxis2 = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
baraxis2.CalcAutoAxis();
baraxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform1.GetStopX());
baraxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);
chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis2);

NumericAxisLabels barAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(baraxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(barAxisLab);

CustomRTMultiBarIndicator barplot = new CustomRTMultiBarIndicator(pTransform1,
        processVarArray,  barwidth, barspace, barbase,
        attribArray,  barjust,  barorient);
barplot.SegmentSpacing = 20;
barplot.SegmentWidth= 15;
```

.
.
.

```
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot);
.
.   // Add panel meters
.
}
```

[VB]

```
Public Class CustomRTBarIndicator Inherits RTBarIndicator

   Public Sub New(ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
        ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, ByVal barwidth As Double, _
        ByVal barbase As Double, ByVal attrib As CHARTATTRIBUTE, _
        ByVal barjust As Integer, ByVal barorient As Integer)
       MyBase.New(transform, datasource, barwidth, barbase, _
           attrib, barjust, barorient)
   End Sub 'New

   Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarOffset(ByVal v As Double) As Double
   Dim offset As Double = 0.0
         Return offset
   End Function 'GetCustomBarOffset

   Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarWidth(ByVal v As Double) As Double
   ' Calculate width as fraction of initial bar width
    Dim width As Double = 0.5
       width = 0.01 + v / 100 * (v / 100) * Me.BarWidth
       Return width
    End Function 'GetCustomBarWidth
End Class 'CustomRTBarIndicator

Public Class CustomRTMultiBarIndicator Inherits RTMultiBarIndicator
   Public Sub New(ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
       ByVal datasource() As RTProcessVar, ByVal barwidth As Double, _
       ByVal barspacing As Double, ByVal barbase As Double, _
       ByVal attribs() As CHARTATTRIBUTE, ByVal barjust As Integer, _
       ByVal barorient As Integer)
       MyBase.New(transform, datasource, barwidth, barspacing, _
           barbase, attribs, barjust, barorient)
 End Sub 'New

   Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarOffset(ByVal v As Double) As Double
   '    This centers the bar segments
```

```
        Dim offset As Double = Me.BarWidth / 2 - GetCustomBarWidth(v) / 2
        Return offset
    End Function 'GetCustomBarOffset

    Public Overrides Function GetCustomBarWidth(ByVal v As Double) As Double
    Dim width As Double = 0.5
        width = 0.01 + v / 100 * (v / 100) * Me.BarWidth
        Return width
    End Function 'GetCustomBarWidth
End Class 'CustomRTMultiBarIndicator


Private Sub InitializeBar3()
    Dim processVarArray As RTProcessVar() = _
            {processVar1, processVar2, processVar3, processVar4}
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 100.0)
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.05, 0.475, 0.5, 0.65)
    Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
        ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(background)
    Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.BlanchedAlmond)
    Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Aquamarine)
    Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkSalmon)
    Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Moccasin)

    Dim attribArray As ChartAttribute() = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4}

    Dim barwidth As Double = 0.2
    Dim barbase As Double = 0.0
    Dim barspace As Double = 0.25
    Dim barjust As Integer = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
    Dim barorient As Integer = ChartObj.VERT_DIR

    Dim baraxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
    baraxis.CalcAutoAxis()
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis)

    Dim baraxis2 As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
```

```
    baraxis2.CalcAutoAxis()
    baraxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform1.GetStopX())
    baraxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(baraxis2)

    Dim barAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(baraxis)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(barAxisLab)

    Dim barplot As New CustomRTMultiBarIndicator(pTransform1, _
       processVarArray, barwidth, barspace, barbase, _
       attribArray, barjust, barorient)
     barplot.SegmentSpacing = 20
     barplot.SegmentWidth = 15
.
.   ' Add panel meters
.

     barplot.IndicatorSubType = ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE
     barplot.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE
     chartVu.AddChartObject(barplot)
End Sub 'InitializeBar3
```

8. Meters Coordinates, Meter Axes and Meter Axis Labels

RTMeterCoordinates
RTMeterAxis
RTMeterAxisLabels
RTMeterStringAxisLabels

Familiar examples of analog meter indicators are voltmeters, car speedometers, pressure gauges, compasses and analog clock faces. A meter usually consists of a meter coordinate system, meter axes, meter axis labels, and a meter indicator (the needle, arc or symbol used to display the current value). It can also have panel meters (**RTPanelMeter** derived objects) that display the meter title, numeric readout and alarm state. The first three objects, the meter coordinate system, meter axis and meter axis labels are described in this chapter, while the meter indicator types are described in the next.

Meter Coordinates

Class RTMeterCoordinates

QChart2D.PolarCoordinates
RTMeterCoordinates

A meter coordinate system has more properties than a simple Cartesian coordinate system, or even a polar coordinate system. Because of the variation in meter styles, a meter coordinate system needs to define the start and end angle of the meter arc within the 360 degree polar coordinate system. It also needs to map a physical coordinate system, representing the meter scale, on top of the meter arc. And the origin of the meter coordinate system can be offset in both x- and y-directions with respect to the containing plot area.

RTMeterCoordinates constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal startarcangle As Double, _
   ByVal arcextent As Double, _
   ByVal startarcscale As Double, _
   ByVal endarcscale As Double, _
   ByVal arcdirection As Boolean, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal arcradius As Double _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal startarcangle As Double, _
```

```
   ByVal arcextent As Double, _
   ByVal startarcscale As Double, _
   ByVal endarcscale As Double, _
   ByVal arcdirection As Boolean, _
   ByVal arcradius As Double _
)


[C#]
public RTMeterCoordinates(
   double startarcangle,
   double arcextent,
   double startarcscale,
   double endarcscale,
   bool arcdirection,
   double x,
   double y,
   double arcradius
);


public RTMeterCoordinates(
   double startarcangle,
   double arcextent,
   double startarcscale,
   double endarcscale,
   bool arcdirection,
   double arcradius
);
```

Parameters

startarcangle

Specifies the starting arc angle position of the meter arc in degrees.

arcextent

Specifies the extent of the meter arc in degrees. The default meter arc starts at *startArcAngle* and extends in a negative (clockwise) direction with an extent *arcExtent*.

startarcscale

Specifies the scaling value associated with the *startArcAngle* position of the meter arc.

endarcscale

Specifies the scaling value associated with the ending position of the meter arc.

arcdirection

Specifies the direction of the *arcextent*. The default *arcDirectionPositive* value of false meter arc starts at *startArcAngle* and extends in a negative (clockwise) direction with an extent *arcExtent*. Change to true to have the meter arc extend in a positive (counter-clockwise) direction.

x

Specifies x-position of the center of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.

y

Specifies y-position of the center of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.

arcradius

Specifies radius of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.

Selected Public Instance Properties

ArcCenterX	Get/Set Specifies x-position of the center of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.
ArcCenterY	Get/Set Specifies y-position of the center of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.
ArcDirectionPositive	Get/Set the direction of the *arcExtent*. The default *arcDirectionPositive* value of false meter arc starts at *startArcAngle* and extends in a negative (clockwise) direction with an extent *arcExtent*. Change to true to have the meter arc extend in a positive (counter-clockwise) direction.
ArcExtent	Specifies the extent of the meter arc in degrees. The default meter arc starts at *startArcAngle* and extends in a negative (clockwise) direction with an extent *arcExtent*.
ArcRadius	Get/Set radius of the meter arc in plot area normalized coordinates.
EndArcScale	Get/Set the scaling value associated with the ending position of the meter arc.
StartArcAngle	Get/Set Specifies the starting arc angle position of the meter arc in degrees.
StartArcScale	Get/Set the scaling value associated with the *startArcAngle* position of the meter arc.

A complete listing of **RTMeterCoordinates** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Examples for meter coordinate system

The example below, extracted from the WeatherStation example, method **InitializeHumidity**, creates a meter coordinate system that starts at the arc angle of 225

degrees and has an arc extent of 270 degrees. The meter scale extends from 0.0 to 100.0 in the counterclockwise direction.

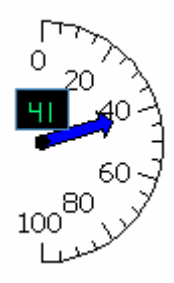
[C#]

```
double startarcangle = 225;
double arcextent = 270;
double startarcscale = 0.0;
double endarcscale = 100.0;
bool arcdirection = false;
double arcradius = 0.6;
double centerx = 0.0, centery= 0.2;
Font meterFont = font12;

RTMeterCoordinates meterframe1 = new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
        startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);
```

[VB]

```
' Fahrenheight scale
Dim startarcangle As Double = 225
Dim arcextent As Double = 270
Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
Dim endarcscale As Double = 100.0
Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
Dim arcradius As Double = 0.6
Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
Dim centery As Double = 0.2
Dim meterFont As Font = font12

Dim meterframe1 As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, _
    arcextent, startarcscale, endarcscale, _
    arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)
```

The example below, extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example, file ArrowMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter4**, creates a meter coordinate system that starts at the arc angle of 90 degrees and has an arc extent of 180 degrees. The meter scale extends from 0.0 to 100.0 in the counterclockwise direction.



[C#]

```
double startarcangle = 90;
double arcextent = 180;
double startarcscale = 0.0;
double endarcscale = 100.0;
bool arcdirection = false;
double arcradius = 0.6;
double centerx = 0.25, centery= 0.0;
Font meterFont = Form1.font12;

RTMeterCoordinates meterframe = new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
    startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);
```

[VB]

```
 Dim startarcangle As Double = 90
 Dim arcextent As Double = 180
 Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
 Dim endarcscale As Double = 100.0
 Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
 Dim arcradius As Double = 0.6
 Dim centerx As Double = 0.25
 Dim centery As Double = 0.0
 Dim meterFont As Font = Form1.font12
```

```
Dim meterframe As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, _
   startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)
```

Meter Axis

RTMeterAxis

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.LinearAxis
RTMeterAxis

A meter axis extends for the extent of the meter arc and is centered on the origin. Major and minor tick marks are placed at evenly spaced intervals perpendicular to the meter arc. The meter axis also draws meter alarm arcs using the alarm information in the associated **RTProcessVar** object.

RTMeterAxis Constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal graphplot As RTMeterIndicator _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal graphplot As RTMeterIndicator _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal tickspermajor As Integer _
)


[C#]
public RTMeterAxis(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTMeterIndicator graphplot
);

public RTMeterAxis(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTMeterIndicator graphplot
   double tickspace,
   int tickspermajor
);
```

Parameters

frame
The **RTMeterCoordinates** object defining the meter properties for the meter axis.
graphplot
The **RTMeterIndicator** object associated with the meter axis.
tickspace
Specifies the spacing between minor tick marks, in degrees.
tickspermajor
Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark.

Selected Public Instance Properties

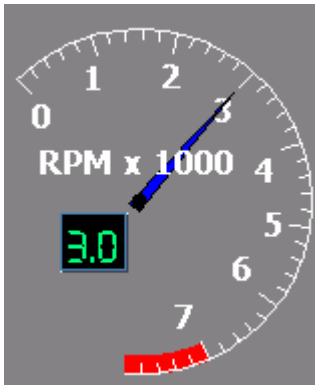
AxisLabels (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the axis labels object associated with this axis.
AxisLineEnable (inherited from **Axis**)	Set/Get to true draws the axis line connecting the tick marks.
AxisMajorTickLength (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set length of a major tick mark.
AxisMax (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the axis maximum value.
AxisMin (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the axis minimum value.
AxisMinorTickLength (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set length of a minor tick mark.
AxisMinorTicksPerMajor (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark.
AxisTickDir (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the direction of a tick mark. Use one of the tick direction constants: AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, AXIS_MAX.
AxisTickOrigin (inherited from **Axis**)	Get/Set the starting point for positioning tick marks, in physical coordinates.
AxisTicksEnable (inherited from **Axis**)	Set/Get to true draws the axis tick marks.
AxisTickSpace (inherited from **LinearAxis**)	Get/Set the minor tick mark spacing.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
InnerAlarmArcNormalized	Get/Set the inner arc of the axis in normalized radius coordinates.

MajorTickLineWidth	Get/Set the major tick line width. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
MeterAxisLabels	Get/Set the **RTMeterAxisLabels** object, if any, associated with this object.
MeterFrame	Get/Set the **RTMeterCoordinates** coordinate system associated with this object.
MeterIndicator	Get/Set the **RTMeterIndicator** object, if any, associated with this object.
MinorTickLineWidth	Get/Set the minor tick line width. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
OuterAlarmArcNormalized	Get/Set the outer arc of the axis in normalized radius coordinates.
ShowAlarms	Get/Set true to show the alarm arcs.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTMeterAxis** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for meter axis

The example below, extracted from the AutoInstrumentPanel example, method **InitializeTach**, creates a meter coordinate system that starts at the arc angle of 135 degrees and has an arc extent of 230 degrees. The meter scale extends from 0.0 to 8.0 in the counterclockwise direction. The axis uses a tick mark spacing of 0.2 and a major tick mark interval of 5.



[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Blue);
double startarcangle = 135;
double arcextent = 230;
double startarcscale = 0.0;
double endarcscale = 8.0;
bool arcdirection = false;
double arcradius = 0.75;
double centerx = 0.0, centery= -0.0;

RTMeterCoordinates meterframe = new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);

meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.45, 0.2, 0.75, 0.9) ;

RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle = new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, tach);
.
.   // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle);

RTMeterAxis meteraxis = new RTMeterAxis(meterframe, meterneedle);
meteraxis.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);

meteraxis.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN);
meteraxis.LineWidth = 1;
meteraxis.LineColor = Color.White;
meteraxis.SetAxisTickSpace(0.2);
meteraxis.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(5);
meteraxis.ShowAlarms = true;
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis);
```

[VB]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
Dim startarcangle As Double = 135
```

```
Dim arcextent As Double = 230
Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
Dim endarcscale As Double = 8.0
Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
Dim arcradius As Double = 0.75
Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
Dim centery As Double = -0.0

Dim meterframe As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, _
    startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)

meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.45, 0.2, 0.75, 0.9)
Dim meterneedle As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, tach)
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.75
.
.   ' Add panel meters
.

chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle)

Dim meteraxis As New RTMeterAxis(meterframe, meterneedle)
meteraxis.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meteraxis.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN)
meteraxis.LineWidth = 1
meteraxis.LineColor = Color.White
meteraxis.SetAxisTickSpace(0.2)
meteraxis.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(5)
meteraxis.ShowAlarms = True
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis)

Dim meterFont As Font = font14Bold
Dim meteraxislabels As New RTMeterAxisLabels(meteraxis)
meteraxislabels.SetTextFont(meterFont)
meteraxislabels.LineColor = Color.White
meteraxislabels.SetAxisLabelsDir(meteraxis.GetAxisTickDir())
meteraxislabels.OverlapLabelMode = ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxislabels)
```

Numeric Meter Axis Labels

Class RTMeterAxisLabels

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.NumericAxisLabels
RTMeterAxisLabels

This class labels the major tick marks of the **RTMeterAxis** class. The class supports many predefined and user-definable formats, including numeric, exponent, percentage, business and currency formats.

RTMeterAxisLabels constructor

```
 [Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As RTMeterAxis _
)

[C#]
public RTMeterAxisLabels(
   RTMeterAxis baseaxis
);
```

Parameters

baseaxis

The **RTMeterAxis** object associated with the labels.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AxisLabelsDecimalPos (inherited from **NumericAxisLabels**)	Set/Get the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for numeric axis labels.
AxisLabelsDir (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	Set/Get the justification of the axis labels with respect to the axis tick marks. Use one of the tick direction constants: AXIS_MIN, AXIS_MAX.
AxisLabelsEnds (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	Set/Get whether there should be labels for the axis minimum (LABEL_MIN), maximum (LABEL_MAX) or tick mark starting point (LABEL_ORIGIN). The value of these constants can be OR'd together. The value of LABEL_MIN | LABEL_MAX | LABEL_ORIGIN is LABEL_ALL
AxisLabelsFormat (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	Set/Get the numeric format for the axis labels.

AxisLabelsTickOffsetX (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	Set/Get the x-offset, in window device coordinates, of the label offset from the endpoint of the associated tick mark.
AxisLabelsTickOffsetY (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	Set/Get the y-offset, in window device coordinates, of the label offset from the endpoint of the associated tick mark.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
MeterAxis	Get/Set the **RTMeterAxis** associated with this object.
OverlapLabelMode (inherited from **AxisLabels**)	It is possible that axis labels overlap if the window that the axes are placed in is to small, the major tick marks are to close together, or in the case of time axis labels, to large for the current tick mark spacing. A test can be performed in the software to not display labels to overlap.
TextBgColor (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the color of the background rectangle under the text, if the textBgMode is true.
TextBgMode (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the text background color mode.
TextBoxColor (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get if the text bounding box is drawn in the text box color.
TextBoxMode (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the text bounding box color.
TextFont (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the font of the text.
TextNudge (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the xy values of the textNudge property. It moves the relative position, using window device coordinates, of the text relative to the specified location of the text.
TextRotation (inherited from **ChartText**)	Set/Get the rotation of the text in the normal viewing plane.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTMeterAxisLabels** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for meter axis labels

The example below, extracted from the WeatherStation example, method **InitializeHumidity**, creates a meter coordinate system that starts at the arc angle of 225 degrees and has an arc extent of 270 degrees. The meter scale extends from 0.0 to 100.0 in the counterclockwise direction. The axis uses a tick mark spacing of 5.0 and a major tick mark interval of 4.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
double startarcangle = 225;
double arcextent = 270;
double startarcscale = 0.0;
double endarcscale = 100.0;
bool arcdirection = false;
double arcradius = 0.6;
double centerx = 0.0, centery= 0.2;
Font meterFont = font12;

RTMeterCoordinates meterframe1 =
     new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, startarcscale,
    endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);
Rectangle2D normrect = new Rectangle2D(0.67, 0.05, 0.32, 0.53);
RT3DFrame frame3d =
    new RT3DFrame(meterframe1, normrect, facePlateAttrib,
     ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d);
meterframe1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.67, 0.05, 0.99, 0.58) ;
```

```
RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle =
     new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe1, humidity);
.
.  // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle);

RTMeterAxis meteraxis1 = new RTMeterAxis(meterframe1, meterneedle);
meteraxis1.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meteraxis1.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN);
meteraxis1.LineWidth = 1;
meteraxis1.LineColor = Color.Black;
meteraxis1.SetAxisTickSpace(5);
meteraxis1.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(4);
meteraxis1.ShowAlarms = false;
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis1;;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis1);

RTMeterAxisLabels meteraxislabels1 = new RTMeterAxisLabels(meteraxis1);
meteraxislabels1.SetTextFont(meterFont);
meteraxislabels1.SetAxisLabelsDir(meteraxis1.GetAxisTickDir());
meteraxislabels1.OverlapLabelMode = ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxislabels1);
```

[VB]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)

' Fahrenheight scale
Dim startarcangle As Double = 225
Dim arcextent As Double = 270
Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
Dim endarcscale As Double = 100.0
Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
Dim arcradius As Double = 0.6
Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
Dim centery As Double = 0.2
Dim meterFont As Font = font12


Dim meterframe1 As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, _
    startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)
```

```
Dim normrect As New Rectangle2D(0.67, 0.05, 0.32, 0.53)
Dim frame3d As New RT3DFrame(meterframe1, normrect, facePlateAttrib, _
    ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d)

meterframe1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.67, 0.05, 0.99, 0.58)

Dim meterneedle As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe1, humidity)
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.6

.
. ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle)

Dim meteraxis1 As New RTMeterAxis(meterframe1, meterneedle)
meteraxis1.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)

meteraxis1.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN)
meteraxis1.LineWidth = 1
meteraxis1.LineColor = Color.Black
meteraxis1.SetAxisTickSpace(5)
meteraxis1.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(4)
meteraxis1.ShowAlarms = False
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis1
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis1)

Dim meteraxislabels1 As New RTMeterAxisLabels(meteraxis1)
meteraxislabels1.SetTextFont(meterFont)
meteraxislabels1.SetAxisLabelsDir(meteraxis1.GetAxisTickDir())
meteraxislabels1.OverlapLabelMode = ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxislabels1)
```

String Meter Axis Labels

Class RTMeterStringAxisLabels

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.StringAxisLabels
RTMeterStringAxisLabels

This class labels the major tick marks of the **RTMeterAxis** class using user-defined strings

RTMeterStringAxisLabels constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As RTMeterAxis _
)
[C#]
public RTMeterStringAxisLabels(
   RTMeterAxis baseaxis
);
```

Parameters

baseaxis

The **RTMeterAxis** object associated with the labels.

Parameters

baseaxis

The **RTMeterAxis** object associated with the labels.

Selected Public Instance Properties

The properties of the **RTMeterStringAxisLabels** class are pretty much the same as the **RTMeterAxisLabels** class, with these exceptions.

MeterLabelTextOrient	Get/Set if the text is horizontal (METER_LABEL_HORIZONTAL) at right angles to the tick mark (METER_LABEL_PERPENDICULAR), or radial to the tick mark parallel (METER_LABEL_RADIAL_1, METER_LABEL_RADIAL_2).

The axis label strings are set using the **SetAxisLabelString** method.

SetAxisLabelsStrings (inherited from **StringAxisLabels**)	Sets the string array used to hold user defined axis label strings. Setting the string array does not automatically turn on the use of string labels. Use **enableAxisLabelsStrings** to enable axis strings.

A complete listing of **RTMeterStringAxisLabels** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for string meter axis labels

The example below, extracted from the AutoInstrumentPanel example, method **InitializeFuel**, creates a meter coordinate system that starts at the arc angle of 180 degrees and has an arc extent of 90 degrees. The meter scale extends from 0.0 to 32.0 in the counterclockwise direction. The meter axis is labeled at the major tick marks with the strings {"E", "1/2", "F"}.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;

ChartAttribute attrib1 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
double startarcangle = 180;
double arcextent = 90;
double startarcscale = 0.0;
double endarcscale = 32.0;
bool arcdirection = false;
double arcradius = 0.8;
double centerx = 0.0, centery= -0.0;

RTMeterCoordinates meterframe =
    new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
        startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);
meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.025, 0.25, 0.175, 0.6) ;

RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle = new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, fuel);
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.8;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle);

RTMeterAxis meteraxis = new RTMeterAxis(meterframe, meterneedle);
meteraxis.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
```

```
meteraxis.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN);
meteraxis.LineWidth = 1;
meteraxis.LineColor = Color.White;
meteraxis.SetAxisTickSpace(4);
meteraxis.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(4);
meteraxis.ShowAlarms = true;
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis);

Font meterFont = font10Bold;
RTMeterStringAxisLabels meteraxislabels = new RTMeterStringAxisLabels(meteraxis);
meteraxislabels.SetTextFont(meterFont);
meteraxislabels.SetAxisLabelsDir(meteraxis.GetAxisTickDir());
String [] labelstrings = {"E", "1/2", "F"};
meteraxislabels.OverlapLabelMode = ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW;
meteraxislabels.AxisLabelsEnds = ChartObj.LABEL_MAX;
meteraxislabels.SetAxisLabelsStrings(labelstrings,3);
meteraxislabels.LineColor = Color.White;
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxislabels);
```

[VB]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
Dim startarcangle As Double = 180
Dim arcextent As Double = 90
Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
Dim endarcscale As Double = 32.0
Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
Dim arcradius As Double = 0.8
Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
Dim centery As Double = -0.0

Dim meterframe As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, _
    startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)

meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.025, 0.25, 0.175, 0.6)

Dim meterneedle As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, fuel)
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.8
.
. ' Add panel meters
```

```
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle)

Dim meteraxis As New RTMeterAxis(meterframe, meterneedle)
meteraxis.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)

meteraxis.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN)
meteraxis.LineWidth = 1
meteraxis.LineColor = Color.White
meteraxis.SetAxisTickSpace(4)
meteraxis.SetAxisMinorTicksPerMajor(4)
meteraxis.ShowAlarms = True
meterneedle.MeterAxis = meteraxis
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxis)

Dim meterFont As Font = font10Bold
Dim meteraxislabels As New RTMeterStringAxisLabels(meteraxis)
meteraxislabels.SetTextFont(meterFont)
meteraxislabels.SetAxisLabelsDir(meteraxis.GetAxisTickDir())
Dim labelstrings As [String]() = {"E", "1/2", "F"}
meteraxislabels.OverlapLabelMode = ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW
meteraxislabels.AxisLabelsEnds = ChartObj.LABEL_MAX
meteraxislabels.SetAxisLabelsStrings(labelstrings, 3)
meteraxislabels.LineColor = Color.White
chartVu.AddChartObject(meteraxislabels)
```

9. Meter Indicators: Needle, Arc and Symbol

RTMeterIndicator
RTMeterArcIndicator
RTMeterNeedleIndicator
RTMeterSymbolIndicator

Familiar examples of analog meter indicators are voltmeters, car speedometers, pressure gauges, compasses and analog clock faces. Three meter indicator types are supported: arc, symbol, and needle meters. An unlimited number of meter indicators can be added to a given meter object. **RTPanelMeter** objects can be attached to an **RTMeterIndicator** object for the display of **RTProcessVar** numeric, alarm and string data in addition to the indicator graphical display. Meter scaling, meter axes, meter axis labels and alarm objects and handle by the meter coordinate system, meter axis and meter axis labels classes described in the preceding chapter.

Base Class for Meter Indicators

Class RTMeterIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTMeterIndicator

The **RTMeterIndicator** class is the abstract base class for all meter indicators. Since it is abstract it does not have a constructor that you can use. It does have properties common to all meter indicator types and these are listed here.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AlarmIndicatorColorMode (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set whether the color of the indicator objects changes on an alarm. Use one of the constants: RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE, RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_CHANGE_ON_ALARM..
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a ChartAttribute object.
ChartObjEnable (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Enables/Disables the chart object. A chart object is drawn only if it is enabled. A chart object is enabled by default.
ChartObjScale (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the **PhysicalCoordinates** object that the chart object is placed in

CurrentProcessValue (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get the current process value of the primary channel.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
IndicatorBackground	Get/Set the background attribute of the meter indicator.
IndicatorBackgroundEnable	Set to true to enable the display of the meter indicator background.
IndicatorSubtype	Set/Get the meter indicator subtype. Use one of the meter indicator subtype constants: RT_METER_NEEDLE_SIMPLE_SUBTYPE , RT_METER_NEEDLE_PIEWEDGE_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SEGMENT_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SYMBOL_SUBTYPE.
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line style for the chart object.
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
MeterAxis	Get/Set the reference meter axis.
NumChannels (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Get the number of channels in the indicator.
OverRangeNormalizedValue	Get/Set the displayable high end of the indicator range as a normalized value based on the **RTMeterCoordinates** and **RTMeterAxis** scale. For example, if the **RTMeterAxis** scale is 0 to 10, an overRangeNormalizedValue of 0.1 will allow the indicator to display off-scale up to 11.0.
PanelMeterList (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the panel meter list of the **RTPlot** object.
PrimaryChannel	Set/Get the primary channel of the indicator.

(inherited from **RTPlot**)	
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.
UnderRangeNormalizedValue	Get/Set the displayable low end of the indicator range as a normalized value based on the **RTMeterCoordinates** and **RTMeterAxis** scale. For example, if the **RTMeterAxis** scale is 0 to 10, an underRangeNormalizedValue of -0.1 will allow the indicator to display off-scale down to -1.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTMeterIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Arc Meter Indicator

RTMeterArcIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTMeterIndicator
RTMeterArcIndicator

This **RTMeterArcIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as an arc. Segmented meter arcs are one of the **RTMeterArcIndicator** subtypes. Varying the thickness of the arc, the segment width and segment spacing, and the segment end caps, will produce a wide variety of meter indicators. One of the advantages of the meter arc indicator is that it can be hollow in the center, allowing for the placement of a numeric panel meter as a digital readout in the center of the meter.

RTMeterArcIndicator constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal innerarc As Double, _
   ByVal outerarc As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _

)
[C#]
public RTMeterArcIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   double innerarc,
   double outerarc,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTMeterArcIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,

);
```

Parameters

frame

The **RTMeterCoordinates** object defining the meter properties for the indicator.

datasource

The process variable associated with the indicator.

innerarc

The inner radius value in radius normalized units (0.0-1.0).

outerarc

The inner radius value in radius normalized units (0.0-1.0).

attrib

The color attributes of the indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

IndicatorSubtype (inherited from **RTMeterIndicator**)	Set/Get the meter indicator subtype. Use one of the arc meter indicator subtype constants: RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SEGMENT_ARC_SUBTYPE.
InnerArcCapStyle	Set/Get the inner arc cap style. Use one of the constants:RT_METER_ARC_RADIUS_CAP, RT_METER_ARC_WEDGE_WIDTH_CAP, RT_METER_ARC_FLAT_CAP.
	Set/Get the value of the inner arc radius in normalized radius coordinates.

InnerValueArcNormalized	
OuterArcCapStyle	Set/Get the outer arc cap style. Use one of the constants:RT_METER_ARC_RADIUS_CAP, RT_METER_ARC_WEDGE_WIDTH_CAP, RT_METER_ARC_FLAT_CAP.
OuterValueArcNormalized	Set/Get the value of the outer arc radius in normalized radius coordinates.
SegmentSpacing	Set/Get the spacing of the arc segments in degrees.
SegmentValueRoundMode	Set/Get how the current process value is rounded up in calculating how many segments to display in RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SEGMENT_ARC_SUBTYPE modes. Use one of the constants: RT_FLOOR_VALUE, RT_CEILING_VALUE.
SegmentWidth	Set/Get the value of the arc segment width in degrees.

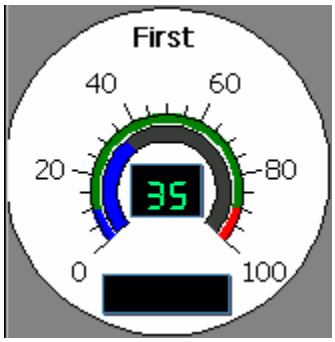
A complete listing of **RTMeterArcIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

In the single segment arc indicator subtype (**RTMeterArcIndicator.IndicatorSubType** =_METER_SINGLE_SEGMENT_ARC_SUBTYPE), only the last segment is “on”. The segments up to but not including the final segment are turned “off”,

Examples for arc meter indicators

The examples below are program segments that give the important aspects of configuration an arc meter indicator for the image above it.

Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file ArcMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter1**.



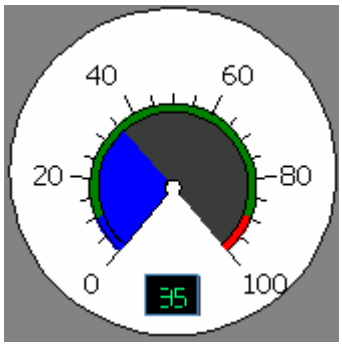
[C#]

```
RTMeterArcIndicator meterarcindicator =
        new RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar1);
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE;
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.65;
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.85;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackground =
     new ChartAttribute(Color.Black,1,DashStyle.Solid,Color.FromArgb(60,60,60));.
.
. // Add panel meters to meter needle
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterarcindicator As New RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar1)
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.65
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.85
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackground = New .
.
.   // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator)
```

Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file ArcMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter3**.



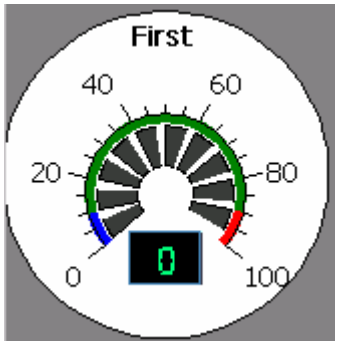
[C#]

```
RTMeterArcIndicator meterarcindicator =
    new RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar2);
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.8;
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.95;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;.
.
. // Add panel meters to meter needle
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterarcindicator As New RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar2)
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.8
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.95
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_ARC_BAND_SUBTYPE
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True
.
.  ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator)
```

Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file SegmentedArcMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter1**.



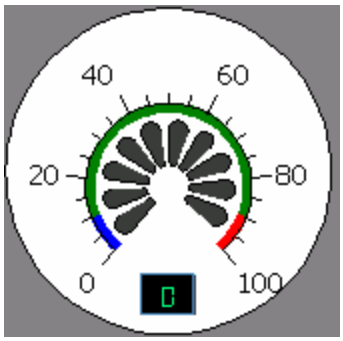
[C#]

```
RTMeterArcIndicator meterarcindicator =
        new RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar1);
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE;
meterarcindicator.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE;
meterarcindicator.SegmentWidth = 7;
meterarcindicator.SegmentSpacing = 10;
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.35;
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.85;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackground =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid,
    Color.FromArgb(60,60,60));
.
. // Add panel meters to meter needle
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterarcindicator As New RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar1)
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE
meterarcindicator.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE
meterarcindicator.SegmentWidth = 7
meterarcindicator.SegmentSpacing = 10
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.35
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.85
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackground = _
  New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.FromArgb(60, 60, 60))
.
. ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator)
```

Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file SegmentedArcMeterControl1.cs, method **InitializeMeter3**.



[C#]

```
RTMeterArcIndicator meterarcindicator =
    new RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar2);
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.8;
meterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.95;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE;
meterarcindicator.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE;
meterarcindicator.SegmentWidth = 7;
meterarcindicator.SegmentSpacing = 10;
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;
.
. // Add panel meters to meter needle
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterarcindicator As New RTMeterArcIndicator(meterframe, processVar2)
meterarcindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterarcindicator.InnerValueArcNormalized = 0.8
eterarcindicator.OuterValueArcNormalized = 0.95
meterarcindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SEGMENTED_ARC_SUBTYPE
meterarcindicator.SegmentValueRoundMode = ChartObj.RT_CEILING_VALUE
meterarcindicator.SegmentWidth = 7
meterarcindicator.SegmentSpacing = 10
meterarcindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True

Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, _
    1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
.
.  ' Add panel meters
```

```
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterarcindicator)
```

Needle Meter Indicator

RTMeterNeedleIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTMeterIndicator
RTMeterNeedleIndicator

This **RTMeterNeedleIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as a needle. Subtypes of the **RTMeterNeedleIndicator** are simple needles, pie wedge shaped needles (the fat end of the pie wedge is at the radius center) and arrow needles.

RTMeterNeedleIndicator Constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal needlelength As Double, _
   ByVal needleoverhang As Double, _
   ByVal needlewidth As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _

)


[C#]
public RTMeterNeedleIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   double needlelength,
   double needleoverhang,
   double needlewidth,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTMeterNeedleIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
);
```

Parameters

frame

The **RTMeterCoordinates** object defining the meter coordinate system.

datasource

The process variable associated with the meter indicator.

needlelength

Specifies length of the needle in normalized plot coordinates.

needleoverhang

Specifies the overhang of the back end of the needle indicator specified in needle radius normalized coordinates.

needlewidth

The color attributes of the meter indicator.

attrib

The color attributes of the meter indicator.

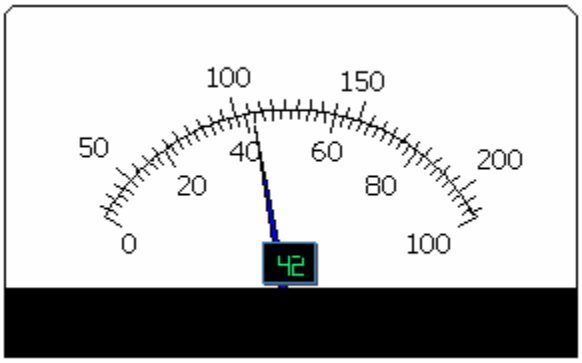
Selected Public Instance Properties

IndicatorSubtype (inherited from **RTMeterIndicator**)	Set/Get the meter indicator subtype. Use one of the meter needle indicator subtype constants: RT_METER_NEEDLE_SIMPLE_SUBTYPE , RT_METER_NEEDLE_PIEWEDGE_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE,
NeedleBaseWidth	Set/Get the width of the base end of the needle for the RT_METER_NEEDLE_SIMPLE_SUBTYPE needle type, in device coordinates.
NeedleHeadLengthMultiplier	Set/Get the head length multiplier for the RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE needle type, in device coordinates.
NeedleHeadWidthMultiplier	Set/Get the head width multiplier for the RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE needle type, in device coordinates.
NeedleLength	Set/Get the length of the needle in normalized plot coordinates. length.
NeedleOverhang	Set/Get the overhang of the back end of the needle indicator specified as a fraction of the needle length.
PieWedgeDegrees	Set/Get Specifies the arc width of the needle for the RT_METER_NEEDLE_PIEWEDGE_SUBTYPE needle type, in degrees coordinates.
PivotColor	Set/Get the color of the needle pivot.
PivotDrawFlag	Set to true to draw the needle pivot.
PivotRadius	Set/Get in device coordinates the radius of the pivot point of the needle, analogous to the bearing or axle supporting the meter needle.

A complete listing of **RTMeterNeedleIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Examples for needle meter indicators

The examples below are program segments that give the important aspects of configuration a needle meter indicator for the image above it.



Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file NeedleMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter2**.

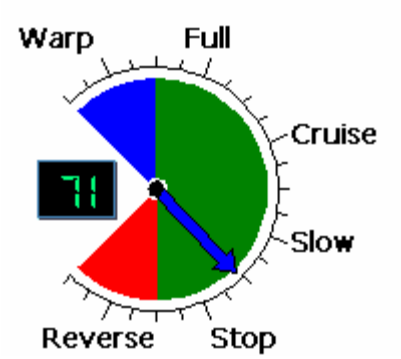
[C#]

```
RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe1, processVar2);
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.7;
meterneedle.ZOrder = 55;
.
. // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterneedle As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe1, processVar2)
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.7
meterneedle.ZOrder = 55
.
. ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle)
```

Extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file ArrowMeterControl1.cs, method **InitializeMeter8**.



[C#]

```
RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle =
    new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, processVar1);
meterneedle.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE;
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.38;
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);

RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
    new RTNumericPanelMeter(meterframe, processVar1,panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RADIUS_LEFT;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.XJust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.YJust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font18Numeric;
meterneedle.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle);
```

[VB]

```
Dim meterneedle As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, processVar1)
meterneedle.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_NEEDLE_ARROW_SUBTYPE
meterneedle.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
meterneedle.NeedleLength = 0.38

Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)

Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(meterframe, processVar1, _
    panelmeterattrib)
```

```
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RADIUS_LEFT
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.XJust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.YJust = ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font18Numeric
meterneedle.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)

chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle)
```

Symbol Meter Indicators

Class RTMeterSymbolIndicator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTMeterIndicator
RTMeterSymbolIndicator

This **RTMeterSymbolIndicator** class displays the current **RTProcessVar** value as a symbol moving around in the meter arc. Symbols include all of the **QCChart2D CF** scatter plot symbols: SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, BAR3D, and CIRCLE.

RTMeterSymbolIndicator constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal symbolnum As Integer, _
   ByVal symbolsize As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal frame As RTMeterCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
)


[C#]
public RTMeterSymbolIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   int symbolnum,
   double symbolsize,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
public RTMeterSymbolIndicator(
   RTMeterCoordinates frame,
   RTProcessVar datasource,

);
```

Parameters

frame

The **RTMeterCoordinates** object defining the meter properties for the indicator.

datasource

The process variable associated with the indicator.

symbolnum

Specifies what symbol to use in the indicator. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants: NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, BAR3D, CIRCLE.

symbolsize

The size of the symbol in points.

attrib

The color attributes of the indicator.

Selected Public Instance Properties

IndicatorSubtype (inherited from **RTMeterIndicator**)	Set/Get the meter indicator subtype. Use one of the meter symbol indicator subtype constants:, RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SYMBOL_SUBTYPE.
SegmentValueRoundMode	Get/Set that the current process value is rounded up in calculating how many symbols to display in RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE, RT_METER_SINGLE_SYMBOL_SUBTYPE modes. Use one of the constants: RT_FLOOR_VALUE, RT_CEILING_VALUE.
SymbolNum	Set/Get the symbol used as the indicator symbol. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants: NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, BAR3D, CIRCLE.
SymbolPosPercent	Set/Get the radial position of the symbol indicator.
SymbolSize	Set/Get the size of the symbol indicator in points.
SymbolSpacing	Get/Set the space, in degrees, between adjacent symbols.

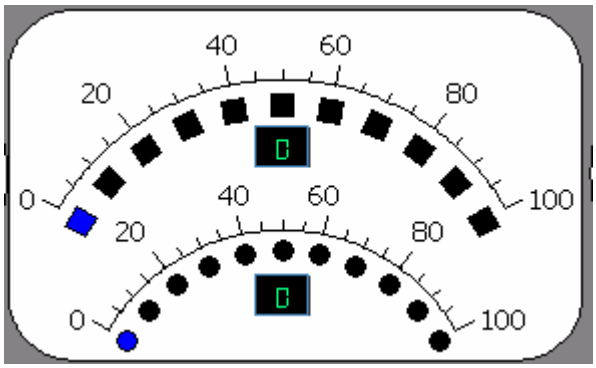
A complete listing of **RTMeterSymbolIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

In the single symbol indicator subtype (**RTMeterSymbolIndicator.IndicatorSubType** =_ RT_METER_SINGLE_SYMBOL_SUBTYPE), only the last symbol is “on”. The symbols up to but not including the final symbol are turned “off”,

Examples for symbol meter indicators

The examples below are program segments that give the important aspects of configuration a needle meter indicator for the image above it.

The top meter indicator, extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file SymbolMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter2**.



[C#]

```
RTMeterSymbolIndicator metersymbolindicator =
        new RTMeterSymbolIndicator(meterframe, processVar2);
metersymbolindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSpacing = 10;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolNum = ChartObj.SQUARE;
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSize = 12;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolPosPercent = 0.9;
.
. // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(metersymbolindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim metersymbolindicator As New RTMeterSymbolIndicator(meterframe, _
    processVar2)
```

```
metersymbolindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSpacing = 10
metersymbolindicator.SymbolNum = ChartObj.SQUARE
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSize = 12
metersymbolindicator.SymbolPosPercent = 0.9
.
.  ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(metersymbolindicator)
```

The bottom meter indicator, extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file SymbolMeterControl1.cs, method **InitializeMeter3**.

[C#]

```
RTMeterSymbolIndicator metersymbolindicator =
       new RTMeterSymbolIndicator(meterframe, processVar2);
metersymbolindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1);
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSpacing = 10;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolNum = ChartObj.CIRCLE;
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = true;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSize = 12;
metersymbolindicator.SymbolPosPercent = 0.9;
.
. // Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(metersymbolindicator);
```

[VB]

```
Dim metersymbolindicator As New RTMeterSymbolIndicator(meterframe, processVar2)
metersymbolindicator.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1)
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorSubtype = ChartObj.RT_METER_SYMBOL_ARC_SUBTYPE
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSpacing = 10
metersymbolindicator.SymbolNum = ChartObj.CIRCLE
metersymbolindicator.IndicatorBackgroundEnable = True
metersymbolindicator.SymbolSize = 12
metersymbolindicator.SymbolPosPercent = 0.9
.
```

```
.   ' Add panel meters
.
chartVu.AddChartObject(metersymbolindicator)
```

10. Dials and Clocks

RTComboProcessVar
RTMeterNeedleIndicator

Clocks and dials use the same meter components as described in the previous chapter: **RTMeterCoordinates, RTMeterAxis, RTMeterAxisLabels, RTMeterStringAxisLabels, RTMeterIndicator, RTMeterArcIndicator, RTMeterNeedleIndicator,** and **RTMeterSymbolIndicator**. For the purposes of this discussion, a dial and a clock is a meter that has an arc extent of 360 degrees, i.e. a full circle. Also, the current value of the dial or clock is characterized by a single value. In the case of a clock it is a date/time value and in the case of a dial it is a simple numeric value. While they are characterized by a single value, dials and clocks have multiple meter indicators representing that value using varying degrees of precision. Everyone is familiar with the hour, minute and second hands of clocks so we don't need to describe that further. As for a dial, the aircraft altimeter gauge is a perfect example. It has a small hand representing thousands of feet and a large hand representing hundreds. Clocks and dials must be able to take a single value, either time or some floating point value, and translate that information into two or more meter indicator values. In the case of a clock, the current time must be converted into values for the hour, minute and second hands. The class responsible for this conversion is the **RTComboProcessVar** class. It converts a single **RTProcessVar** value into multiple **RTProcessVar** objects, one representing the current value of each indicator of the clock or dial.

Converting Dial and Clock Data using RTComboProcessVar

Class RTComboProcessVar

RTProcessVar
    RTComboProcessVar

The **RTComboProcessVar** class has an internal collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. The current value assigned to the **RTComboProcessVar** object is simultaneously converted to current values for each of the **RTProcessVar** objects in the collection. For each **RTProcessVar** object, the conversion is defined by a divisor and a modulo N value. Each **RTProcssVar** object will have unique combination of divisors and modulo N values as defining characteristics.

```
For i=0 to  processVarList.Count-1
```

```
processVarList[i].CurrentValue =
    (comboProcessVar.CurrentValue / divisor[i] ) % modvalue[i]
```

where

comboProcessVar

The main **RTComboProcessVar** object that is updated by the application program

processVarList

The collection of **RTProcessVar** objects internal to the **RTComboProcessVar**. These items are updated automatically by the master **RTComboProcessVar** whenever an update is made to the master class.

Note that the divisor operation takes place first, followed by the modulo operation.

RTComboProcessVar constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dataset As TimeSimpleDataset, _
   ByVal defaultattribute As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal tagname As String, _
   ByVal defaultattribute As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]
public RTComboProcessVar(
   TimeSimpleDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute defaultattribute
);


[C#]
public RTComboProcessVar(
   string tagname,
   ChartAttribute defaultattribute
);
```

Parameters

dataset

A dataset that will be used to store historical values.

defaultattribute

Specifies the default attribute for this process variable.

tagname

The string representing the tag name of the process variable.

Selected Public Instance Properties

Item	Get the **RTProcessVar** item at the specified index in the process variable list.

Selected Public Instance Methods

AddProcessVar	Adds a new process variable to the process variable list.
ResetProcessVarsList	Clears the process variable list.
SetCurrentValue	Overloaded. Updates the current value and the dataset of the underlying **RTProcessVar**. It also updates the process variable list with the calculated process values.
SetDivisorItem	Sets the divisor factor at the specified index.
SetModuloItem	Sets the modulo factor at the specified index.

A complete listing of **RTComboProcessVar** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Examples for using RTComboProcessVar in a clock application

The example, extracted from the example program AutoInstrumentPanel, methods **InitializeGraph** and **InitializeClock**, show the important aspects of using an **RTComboProcessVar** object to supply data for the three meter needle indicators used as the hands of a clock.

[C#]

```
RTProcessVar [] clockdata = new RTProcessVar[3];
```

```
RTComboProcessVar clock12Hour;  // 12-hour clock
.
.
.
clockdata[0] = new RTProcessVar("Seconds", defaultattrib);
clockdata[1] = new RTProcessVar("Minutes", defaultattrib);
clockdata[2] = new RTProcessVar("Hours", defaultattrib);

clock12Hour = new  RTComboProcessVar("12-Hour Clock", defaultattrib);
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata[0]); // seconds
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata[1]); // minutes
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata[2]); // hours
// Clock/Meter coordinates is going to be scaled from 0-12,
// All values must be converted to this range
clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(0,5); // seconds/5 give seconds position on 0-12 scale
clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(1,5*60); // seconds/300 give minutes on 0-12 scale
clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(2,60 * 60); // seconds / 3600 give hours on 0-12 scale
clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(0,12); // apply modulo 12 base
clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(1,12); // apply modulo 12 base
clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(2,12); // apply modulo 12 base
.
.
.
private void InitializeClock()
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    double startarcangle = 90;
    double arcextent = 360;
    double startarcscale = 0.0;
    double endarcscale = 12.0;
    bool arcdirection = false;
    double arcradius = 0.80;
    double centerx = 0.0, centery= -0.0;
    Font meterFont = font12;

    RTMeterCoordinates meterframe =
        new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
    startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);

    meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.78, .0, 0.97, 0.3) ;
    ChartAttribute frameattrib =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    // Seconds
```

```
    ChartAttribute needleattrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle1 =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata[0]);
    meterneedle1.NeedleBaseWidth = 1;
    meterneedle1.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib1);
    meterneedle1.NeedleLength = 0.5;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle1);
    // Minutes
    ChartAttribute needleattrib2 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle2 =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata[1]);
    meterneedle2.NeedleBaseWidth = 3;
    meterneedle2.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib2);
    meterneedle2.NeedleLength = 0.45;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle2);
    // Hours
    ChartAttribute needleattrib3 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle3 =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata[2]);
    meterneedle3.NeedleBaseWidth = 5;
    meterneedle3.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib3);
    meterneedle3.NeedleLength = 0.3;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle3);
.
.
.
}
```

[VB]

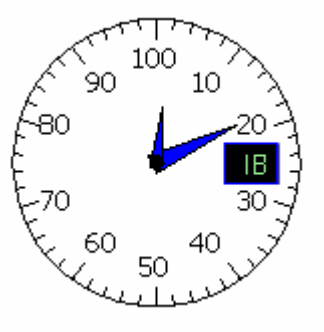
```
Private clockdata(2) As RTProcessVar
Private clock12Hour As RTComboProcessVar ' 12-hour clock
.
.
clockdata(0) = New RTProcessVar("Seconds", defaultattrib)
clockdata(1) = New RTProcessVar("Minutes", defaultattrib)
clockdata(2) = New RTProcessVar("Hours", defaultattrib)
clock12Hour = New RTComboProcessVar("12-Hour Clock", defaultattrib)
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata(0)) ' seconds
```

```
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata(1)) ' minutes
clock12Hour.AddProcessVar(clockdata(2)) ' hours
 ' Clock/Meter coordinates is going to be scaled from 0-12,
    ' All values must be converted to this range
 clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(0, 5) ' seconds/5 give seconds position on 0-12 scale
 clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(1, 5 * 60) ' seconds/300 give minutes on 0-12 scale
 clock12Hour.SetDivisorItem(2, 60 * 60) ' seconds / 3600 give hours on 0-12 scale
 clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(0, 12) ' apply modulo 12 base
 clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(1, 12) ' apply modulo 12 base
 clock12Hour.SetModuloItem(2, 12) ' apply modulo 12 base

Private Sub InitializeClock()
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    Dim startarcangle As Double = 90
    Dim arcextent As Double = 360
    Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
    Dim endarcscale As Double = 12.0
    Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
    Dim arcradius As Double = 0.8
    Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
    Dim centery As Double = -0.0
    Dim meterFont As Font = font12
    Dim meterframe As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent, _
        startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius)

    meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.78, 0.0, 0.97, 0.3)

    Dim frameattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
         Color.Blue)
        ' Seconds
    Dim needleattrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Blue)
    Dim meterneedle1 As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata(0))
    meterneedle1.NeedleBaseWidth = 1
    meterneedle1.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib1)
    meterneedle1.NeedleLength = 0.5
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle1)

    ' Minutes
    Dim needleattrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Blue)
    Dim meterneedle2 As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata(1))
    meterneedle2.NeedleBaseWidth = 3
```

```
    meterneedle2.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib2)
    meterneedle2.NeedleLength = 0.45
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle2)
    ' Hours
    Dim needleattrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid,  _
        Color.Blue)
    Dim meterneedle3 As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, clockdata(2))
    meterneedle3.NeedleBaseWidth = 5
    meterneedle3.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib3)
    meterneedle3.NeedleLength = 0.3
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle3)
.
.
.
End Sub 'InitializeClock
```

Examples for using RTComboProcessVar in an altimeter application

The example, extracted from the example program RTGraphNetDemo, file DialControl1, methods **InitializeGraph** and **InitializeDial1**, show the important aspects of using an **RTComboProcessVar** object to supply data for the two meter needle indicators used as the hands of a clock.



[C#]

```
dialComboProcessVar1=
       new RTComboProcessVar("Altimeter", processVar1.DefaultAttribute);
dialComboProcessVar1.AddProcessVar(bigProcessVarArray[0]);
dialComboProcessVar1.AddProcessVar(bigProcessVarArray[1]);
dialComboProcessVar1.SetDivisorItem(0,1);
dialComboProcessVar1.SetDivisorItem(1,10);
dialComboProcessVar1.SetModuloItem(0,100);
dialComboProcessVar1.SetModuloItem(1,100);
.
.
```

```
.
private void InitializeDial1()
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    double startarcangle = 90;
    double arcextent = 360;
    double startarcscale = 0.0;
    double endarcscale = 100.0;
    bool arcdirection = false;
    double arcradius = 0.90;
    double centerx = 0.0, centery= 0.0;
    Font meterFont = Form1.font12;

    RTMeterCoordinates meterframe =
        new RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, arcextent,
            startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, centerx, centery, arcradius);
    meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.0, 0.0, 0.25, 0.45) ;
    Background gbackground =
        new Background( meterframe, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(gbackground);
    ChartAttribute frameattrib =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    ChartAttribute needleattrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle1 =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, bigProcessVarArray[0]);
    meterneedle1.NeedleBaseWidth = 5;
    meterneedle1.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib1);
    meterneedle1.NeedleLength = 0.55;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle1);

    ChartAttribute needleattrib2 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
    RTMeterNeedleIndicator meterneedle2 =
        new RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, bigProcessVarArray[1]);
    meterneedle2.NeedleBaseWidth = 3;
    meterneedle2.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib2);
    meterneedle2.NeedleLength = 0.35;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle2);
.
.
.
}
```

[VB]

```
dialComboProcessVar1 = New RTComboProcessVar("Altimeter", _
    processVar1.DefaultAttribute)
dialComboProcessVar1.AddProcessVar(bigProcessVarArray(0))
dialComboProcessVar1.AddProcessVar(bigProcessVarArray(1))
dialComboProcessVar1.SetDivisorItem(0, 1)
dialComboProcessVar1.SetDivisorItem(1, 10)
dialComboProcessVar1.SetModuloItem(0, 100)
dialComboProcessVar1.SetModuloItem(1, 100)

Private Sub InitializeDial1()
   Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
   Dim startarcangle As Double = 90
   Dim arcextent As Double = 360
   Dim startarcscale As Double = 0.0
   Dim endarcscale As Double = 100.0
   Dim arcdirection As Boolean = False
   Dim arcradius As Double = 0.9
   Dim centerx As Double = 0.0
   Dim centery As Double = 0.0
   Dim meterFont As Font = Form1.font12

   Dim meterframe As New RTMeterCoordinates(startarcangle, _
        arcextent, startarcscale, endarcscale, arcdirection, _
        centerx, centery, arcradius)

    meterframe.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.0, 0.0, 0.25, 0.45)

   Dim gbackground As New Background(meterframe, _
        ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
   chartVu.AddChartObject(gbackground)

   Dim frameattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)

   Dim needleattrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
   Dim meterneedle1 As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, _
        bigProcessVarArray(0))
   meterneedle1.NeedleBaseWidth = 5
   meterneedle1.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib1)
```

```
    meterneedle1.NeedleLength = 0.55
    chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle1)

     Dim needleattrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
         DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
     Dim meterneedle2 As New RTMeterNeedleIndicator(meterframe, _
          bigProcessVarArray(1))
     meterneedle2.NeedleBaseWidth = 3
     meterneedle2.SetChartObjAttributes(needleattrib2)
     meterneedle2.NeedleLength = 0.35
     chartVu.AddChartObject(meterneedle2)
.
.
.
End Sub 'InitializeDial1
```

11. Single and Multiple Channel Annunciators

RTAnnunciator
RTMultiValueAnnunciator

An annunciator is used to display the current values and alarm states of real-time data. Each channel of data corresponds to a rectangular cell where each cell can contain the tag name, units, current value, and alarm status message. Any of these items may be excluded. If a channel is in alarm, the background of the corresponding cell changes its color, giving a strong visual indication that an alarm has occurred.

Single Channel Annunciator

Class RTAnnunciator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTAnnunciator

An **RTAnnunciator** is used to display the current values and alarm states of a single channel real-time data.

RTAnnunciator constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal annunpos As Rectangle2D, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]
public RTAnnunciator(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   Rectangle2D annunpos,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform
The coordinate system for the new **RTAnnunciator** object.
datasource
The process variable associated with the annunciator.
annunpos

The position and size of the annunciator.

attrib

The color attributes of the annunciator.

The annunciator resides in coordinate system scaled for physical coordinates of (0.0,0.0) – (1.0, 1.0). The annunciator rectangle size and position is defined using the **RTAnnunciator.AnnunciatorRect** property. The default annunciator consists of a simple rectangle that changes color in response to the alarm state of the **RTProcessVar** object attached to the annunciator. The annunciator can be customized with tag names, numeric readouts and alarm messages by adding **RTPanelMeter** objects to the **RTAnnunciator** object. See the examples below.

Public Instance Properties

AnnunciatorRect	Get/Set the annunciator rectangle.

A complete listing of **RTAnnuciator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for single channel annunciator

The example below, extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example, file AnnunciatorControl1, method **InitializeAnnunciator1**, creates a single channel annunciator with a tag name, numeric readout and alarm.

[C#]

```
private void InitializeAnnunciator1()
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, .05, 0.15, 0.35) ;
    Background background =
        new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Gray);
```

```
    chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
    Rectangle2D annunrect = new Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.05, 0.9, 0.9);
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.DarkGray, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkGray);
    RTAnnunciator annunciator =
        new RTAnnunciator(pTransform1, processVar1, annunrect, attrib1);
    ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
            new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar2,panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.PLOTAREA_CENTER;
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font16Numeric;
    panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = ((char) 176) + "F";
    annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

    RTAlarmPanelMeter panelmeter2 =
            new RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1,panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BARBASE;
    panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10;
    panelmeter2.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
    annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);

    ChartAttribute panelmetertagattrib =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
    RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 =
            new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1,
            panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
    panelmeter3.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
    panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR;
    panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black;
    annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3);

    chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator);
}
```

[VB]

```
Private Sub InitializeAnnunciator1()
  Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
  Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
  pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, 0.05, 0.15, 0.35)
  Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.Gray)
```

```
  chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

  Dim annunrect As New Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.05, 0.9, 0.9)
  Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.DarkGray, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.DarkGray)
  Dim annunciator As New RTAnnunciator(pTransform1, processVar1, annunrect, _
        attrib1)

  Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
  Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar2, _
         panelmeterattrib)
  panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.PLOTAREA_CENTER
  panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font16Numeric
  panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = ChrW(176) + "F"
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)

  Dim panelmeter2 As New RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1, _
        panelmeterattrib)
  panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BARBASE
  panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10
  panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)

  Dim panelmetertagattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
  Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1, _
        panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
  panelmeter3.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
  panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR
  panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3)
  chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator)
End Sub 'InitializeAnnunciator1
```

Multi-Channel Annunciators

Class RTMultiValueAnnunciator

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot

RTPlot

RTMultiValueIndicator

RTMultiValueAnnunciator

An **RTMultiValueAnnunciator** is used to display the current values and alarm states of a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects. It consists of a rectangular grid with individual channels represented by the rows and columns in of the grid. Each grid cell can contain the tag name, units, current value, and alarm status message for a single **RTProcessVar** object. Any of these items may be excluded. If a channel is in alarm, the background of the corresponding cell changes its color, giving a strong visual indication that an alarm has occurred.

RTMultiValueAnnunciator constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar(), _
   ByVal numcols As Integer, _
   ByVal numrows As Integer, _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute() _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTMultiValueAnnunciator(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar[] datasource,
   int numcols,
   int numrows,
   ChartAttribute[] attribs
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTMultiValueAnnunciator** object.

datasource

An array of **RTProcessVar** objects, one for each annunciator cell.

numcols

The number of columns in the annunciator display.

numrows

The number of rows in the annunciator display.

attribs

An array of the color attributes one for each annunciator cell.

Public Instance Properties

CellColumnMargin	Get/Set the extra space between columns of the annunciator, specified in normalized NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.
CellRowMargin	Get/Set the extra space between rows of the annunciator, specified in normalized NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.

NumberColumns	Get the number of rows in the annunciator.
NumberRows	Get the number of rows in the annunciator.

A complete listing of **RTMultiValueAnnunciator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

The **CellColumnMargin** and the **CellRowMargin** values represent the total amount of spacing used for the cell column and cell row margins respectively. A value of 0.2 implies that 20% of the row or column space will be used as margin, and 80% will be used for the annunciator cells. The 20% margin value is divided up between the cells in the row or column. If the multi-channel annunciator has 4 annunciator cells in a row, there are 5 border areas between the cells (3 at the interior of the annunciator cell grid and 2 on either end). The total margin of 20% is therefore divided 5 times, resulting in a 4% margin between the column of each grid cell.

Example for a simple multi-channel annunciator

The example below, extracted from the AutoInstrumentPanel example, method **InitializeAnnunciator**, creates a multi-channel annunciator that shows only the tag name of the associated **RTProcessVar** object.

[C#]

```
private void InitializeAnnunciator()
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.03, 0.13, 0.715, 0.21) ;
    ChartAttribute attrib;
    ChartAttribute []attribArray = new ChartAttribute[annunciator1.Length];
    for (int i=0; i < annunciator1.Length; i++)
    {
        attrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.DarkRed, 1,
                      DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkRed);
        attribArray[i] = attrib;
    }
```

```
    int numrows = 1;
    int numcols = 8;
    RTMultiValueAnnunciator annunciator =
        new RTMultiValueAnnunciator(pTransform1, annunciator1,
                numcols, numrows, attribArray);
    annunciator.CellColumnMargin = 0.01;
    annunciator.CellRowMargin = 0.01;
    ChartAttribute panelmetertagattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);

    RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter =
        new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, annunciator1[0],
            panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
    panelmeter.StringTemplate.TextFont = font10Bold;
    panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR;
    panelmeter.Frame3DEnable = false;
    panelmeter.TextColor = Color.White;
    panelmeter.StringTemplate.TextBgMode = false;
    panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode =
        ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE;
    annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);

    chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator);
}
```

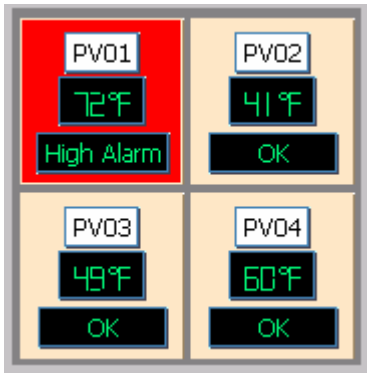
[VB]

```
Private Sub InitializeAnnunciator()
  Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
  Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
  pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.03, 0.13, 0.715, 0.21)

  Dim attrib As ChartAttribute
  Dim attribArray(annunciator1.Length) As ChartAttribute

  Dim i As Integer
  For i = 0 To annunciator1.Length - 1
    attrib = New ChartAttribute(Color.DarkRed, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.DarkRed)
    attribArray(i) = attrib
  Next i

  Dim numrows As Integer = 1
  Dim numcols As Integer = 8
```

```
  Dim annunciator As New RTMultiValueAnnunciator(pTransform1, annunciator1, _
        numcols, numrows, attribArray)
  annunciator.CellColumnMargin = 0.01
  annunciator.CellRowMargin = 0.01

  Dim panelmetertagattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
  Dim panelmeter As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, annunciator1(0), _
        panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
  panelmeter.StringTemplate.TextFont = font10Bold
  panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR
  panelmeter.Frame3DEnable = False
  panelmeter.TextColor = Color.White
  panelmeter.StringTemplate.TextBgMode = False
  panelmeter.AlarmIndicatorColorMode = ChartObj.RT_INDICATOR_COLOR_NO_ALARM_CHANGE
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)

  chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator)
End Sub 'InitializeAnnunciator
```

Example for a simple multi-channel annunciator

The example below, extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example, file AnnunciatorControl1, method **InitializeAnnunciator2**, creates a multi-channel annunciator that shows the tag name, current value and alarm state of the associated **RTProcessVar** object.



[C#]

```
private void InitializeAnnunciator2()
{
    RTProcessVar [] processVarArray =
        {processVar1, processVar2, processVar3, processVar4};
```

```
ChartView chartVu  = this;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
    new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.175, .005, 0.45, 0.475) ;
Background background =
    new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Gray);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Bisque, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Bisque);
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Bisque, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Bisque);
ChartAttribute attrib3 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Bisque, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Bisque);
ChartAttribute attrib4 =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Bisque, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Bisque);
ChartAttribute []attribArray = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4};
int numrows = 2;
int numcols = 2;
RTMultiValueAnnunciator annunciator =
    new RTMultiValueAnnunciator(pTransform1, processVarArray,
        numcols, numrows, attribArray);
ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter =
    new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar2,panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font14Numeric;
panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = ((char) 176) + "F";
annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter);
RTAlarmPanelMeter panelmeter2 =
    new RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1,panelmeterattrib);
panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT;
panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10;
panelmeter2.SetPositionReference( panelmeter);
annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2);
ChartAttribute panelmetertagattrib = new
    ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
RTStringPanelMeter panelmeter3 =
    new RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1,
        panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING);
panelmeter3.SetPositionReference(panelmeter);
panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10;
panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.ABOVE_REFERENCED_TEXT;
```

```
    panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black;
    annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator);
}
```

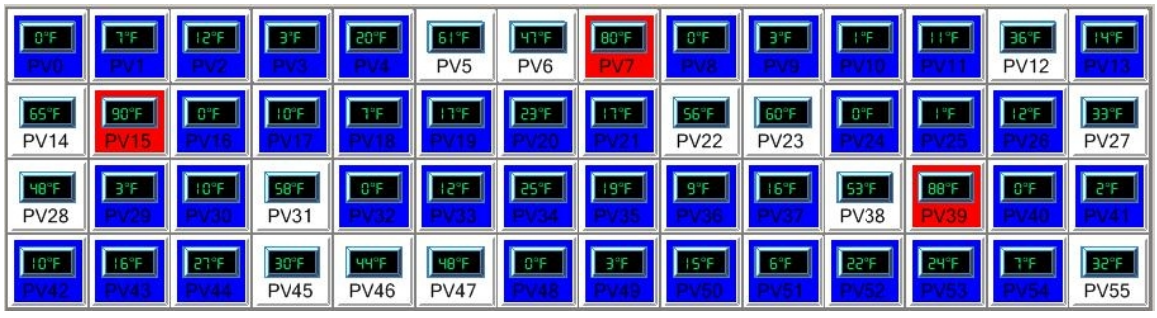
[VB]

```
Private Sub InitializeAnnunciator2()
  Dim processVarArray As RTProcessVar() = _
        {processVar1, processVar2, processVar3, processVar4}
  Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
  Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
  pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.175, 0.005, 0.45, 0.475)
  Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.Gray)
  chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

  Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Bisque, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Bisque)
  Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Bisque, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Bisque)
  Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Bisque, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Bisque)
  Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Bisque, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
        Color.Bisque)
  Dim attribArray As ChartAttribute() = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4}

  Dim numrows As Integer = 2
  Dim numcols As Integer = 2
  Dim annunciator As New RTMultiValueAnnunciator(pTransform1, processVarArray, _
        numcols, numrows, attribArray)

  Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
  Dim panelmeter As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar2, _
        panelmeterattrib)
  panelmeter.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR
  panelmeter.NumericTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font14Numeric
  panelmeter.NumericTemplate.PostfixString = ChrW(176) + "F"
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter)
```

```
  Dim panelmeter2 As New RTAlarmPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1, _
        panelmeterattrib)
  panelmeter2.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.BELOW_REFERENCED_TEXT
  panelmeter2.AlarmTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10
  panelmeter2.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter2)

  Dim panelmetertagattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
  Dim panelmeter3 As New RTStringPanelMeter(pTransform1, processVar1, _
        panelmetertagattrib, ChartObj.RT_TAG_STRING)
  panelmeter3.SetPositionReference(panelmeter)
  panelmeter3.StringTemplate.TextFont = Form1.font10
  panelmeter3.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.ABOVE_REFERENCED_TEXT
  panelmeter3.TextColor = Color.Black
  annunciator.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter3)
  chartVu.AddChartObject(annunciator)
End Sub 'InitializeAnnunciator2
```

Example for a large multi-channel annunciator

The example below, extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo, file AnnunciatorControl1, method **InitializeAnnunciator4** example, creates a multi-channel annunciator that shows the tag name and current value of the associated **RTProcessVar** object. The alarm state is implicit in the annunciator background color. See the example program for the code listing.



12. The Scroll Frame and Single Channel Scrolling Plots

RTScrollFrame
RTVerticalScrollFrame
RTSimpleSingleValuePlot

Scrolling graphs are built using three main classes. The first is the **RTScrollFrame** class that manages the constant rescaling of the coordinate system of the scrolling graph. The second and third are **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** classes that encapsulate the actual line plot, bar plot, scatter plot or group plot that is plotted in the scrolling graph. The **RTScrollFrame** class and the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** classes are described in this chapter and the **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** class is described in the next.

The original **RTScrollFrame** manges scrolling of numeric, time/date and elapsed time coordinate systems in the horizontal direction. Starting with Revision 2.0, a new scroll frame has been added, **RTVerticalScrollFrame**, which manages scrolling in the vertical direction.

Scroll Frame

Class RTScrollFrame

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTScrollFrame

The scrolling algorithm used in this software is different that in earlier Quinn-Curtis real-time graphics products. Scrolling plots are no longer updated incrementally whenever the underlying data is updated. Instead, the underlying **RTProcessVar** data objects are updated as fast as you want. Scrolling graphs (all graphs for that matter) are only updated with the **ChartView.UpdateDraw**() method is called. What makes scrolling graphs appear to scroll is the scroll frame (**RTScrollFrame**). When a scroll frame is updated as a result of the **ChartView.UpdateDraw**() event, it analyzes the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** objects that have been attached to it and creates a coordinate system that matches the current and historical data associated with the plot objects. The plot objects in the scroll frame are drawn into this coordinate system. As data progresses forward in time the coordinate system is constantly

being rescaled to include the most recent time values as part of the x-coordinate system. You can control whether or not the starting point of the scroll frame coordinate system remains fixed, whether it advances in sync with the constantly changing end of the scroll frame. Other options allow the y-scale to be constantly rescaled to reflect the current dynamic range of the y-values in the scroll frame. The long term goal is that as computers get faster, and .Net more efficient, you will never need to update the display faster than 30-60 times a second, since this will result smooth scrolling even if the underlying data is updated 10,000 times a second. Computers are not there yet (running .Net at least; other languages are much faster) and the scrolling may appear slow, but in the long run the algorithm should prove an efficient technique throughout the rest of the decade.

RTScrollFrame constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollxmode As Integer, _
   ByVal autoscaleymode As Integer _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollmode As Integer _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollxmode As Integer, _
   ByVal autoscaleymode As Integer _
)


[C#]
public RTScrollFrame(
   ChartView component,
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollxmode,
   int autoscaleymode
);

public RTScrollFrame(
   ChartView component,
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollmode
);


public RTScrollFrame(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollxmode,
   int autoscaleymode
);
```

Parameters

component

This **ChartView** component the scroll frame is placed in.

processvar

The source process variable.

initialscale

A coordinate system that serves as the initial scale for the scroll frame.

scrollxmode

Specifies x-axis auto-scale mode of the scroll frame. Use one of the x-axis scroll frame constants:
RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_X - no auto-scale for the x-axis, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_CURRENT_SCALE - auto-scale based on current scale, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MIN - autoscale x-axis minimum only, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MAX - autoscale x-axis maximum only, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX - autoscale x-axis minimum and maximum, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL - autoscale the x-axis for a fixed range, with moving maximum and minimum values, use in scrolling graphs.
RT_MAXEXTENT_FIXEDSTART_AUTOSCROLL - autoscale the x-axis with the start of the x-axis fixed, and the end of the x-axis moving, use in scrolling graphs.
RT_FIXEDNUMPOINT_AUTOSCROLL.- autoscale the x-axis for a fixed number of points, with moving maximum and minimum values, use in scrolling graphs.

autoscaleymode

Specifies y-axis auto-scale mode of the scroll frame. Use one of the y-axis scroll frame constants constants:
RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_Y - no auto-scale for the y-axis
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MIN - autoscale y-axis minimum only
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MAX - autoscale y-axis maximum only
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX. - - autoscale y-axis minimum and maximum

Selected Public Instance Properties

AutoScaleRoundXMode	Get/Set the auto-scale round mode for the x-coordinate. Use one of the AUTOAXES round mode constants: AUTOAXES_EXACT, AUTOAXES_NEAR, AUTOAXES_FAR.

AutoScaleRoundYMode	Get/Set the auto-scale mode for the y-coordinate. Use one of the AUTOAXES round mode constants: AUTOAXES_EXACT, AUTOAXES_NEAR, AUTOAXES_FAR.
EndOfPlotLineMarker	Get/Set The end of plot marker type. Use one of the Marker marker type constants: MARKER_NULL, MARKER_VLINE, MARKER_HLINE, MARKER_HVLINE.
MaxDisplayHistory	Get/Set the maximum number of points displayed.
MinSamplesForAutoScale	Get/Set the minimum number of samples that need to be in the dataset before an auto-scale operation is carried out. This prevents the first datapoints from generating an arbitrarily small range.
ScrollRescaleMargin	Get/Set the scroll rescale margin. When the limits of the scale needs to be increased, the ScrollRescaleMargin * (current range of the x-axis) is added to the upper and lower limits of the current scale.
ScrollScaleModeX	Get/Set the scrolling mode for the x-coordinate. Use one of the x-axis scroll frame constants: RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_X, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_CURRENT_SCALE, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MIN, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MAX, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX, RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL, RT_MAXEXTENT_FIXEDSTART_AUTOSCROLL, RT_FIXEDNUMPOINT_AUTOSCROLL
ScrollScaleModeY	Get/Set the scrolling mode for the y-coordinate. Use one of the y-axis scroll frame constants: RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_Y, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MIN, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MAX, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
TimeStampMode	Get/Set the time stamp mode for the time values in the process variables. Use one of the time stamp mode constants: RT_NOT_MONOTONIC_X_MODE - not monotonic means that the x-values do not have to increase with increasing time. A real-time xy plot that plots x-values against y-values might have this characteristic. RT_MONOTONIC_X_MODE – The default value. Monotonic means that the x-values always increase with increasing time. If the scroll frame routines know that the x-values will never “backtrack” it speeds up the search algorithm for minimum and maximum x-values to use in auto-scaling the x-axis.

A complete listing of **RTScrollFrame** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

See the examples for the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** and **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** for example of the use of the **RTScrollFrame** class.

Class RTVerticalScrollFrame

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTVerticalScrollFrame

The **RTVerticalScrollFrame** is basically the same as the original **RTScrollFrame**, except it controls scrolling along the vertical axis. When you use a vertical scroll frame, typically you would have the y-scale setup as an elapsed time, or time/date based scale. It can also be setup as a numeric base scale. Otherwise it works much the same as the **RTScrollFrame**.

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RTVerticalScrollFrame constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollymode As Integer, _
   ByVal autoscalexmode As Integer _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal processvar As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollymode As Integer _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal initialscale As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal scrollymode As Integer, _
   ByVal autoscalexmode As Integer _
)


[C#]
public RTVerticalScrollFrame(
   ChartView component,
   RTProcessVar processvar,
```

```
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollymode,
   int autoscalexmode
);

public RTVerticalScrollFrame (
   ChartView component,
   RTProcessVar processvar,
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollmode
);


public RTVerticalScrollFrame (
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates initialscale,
   int scrollymode,
   int autoscalexmode
);
```

Parameters

component

This **ChartView** component the scroll frame is placed in.

processvar

The source process variable.

initialscale

A coordinate system that serves as the initial scale for the scroll frame.

scrollymode

Specifies y-axis auto-scale mode of the scroll frame. Use one of the x-axis scroll frame constants:
RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_X - no auto-scale for the x-axis, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_CURRENT_SCALE - auto-scale based on current scale, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MIN - autoscale x-axis minimum only, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MAX - autoscale x-axis maximum only, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX - autoscale x-axis minimum and maximum, use in non-scrolling graphs.
RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL - autoscale the x-axis for a fixed range, with moving maximum and minimum values, use in scrolling graphs.
RT_MAXEXTENT_FIXEDSTART_AUTOSCROLL - autoscale the x-axis with the start of the x-axis fixed, and the end of the x-axis moving, use in scrolling graphs.
RT_FIXEDNUMPOINT_AUTOSCROLL.- autoscale the x-axis for a fixed number of points, with moving maximum and minimum values, use in scrolling graphs.

autoscalexmode

Specifies x-axis auto-scale mode of the scroll frame. Use one of the y-axis scroll frame constants constants:
RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_X - no auto-scale for the y-axis
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MIN - autoscale y-axis minimum only
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MAX - autoscale y-axis maximum only
RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX. - - autoscale y-axis minimum and maximum

Selected Public Instance Properties

AutoScaleRoundXMode	Get/Set the auto-scale round mode for the x-coordinate. Use one of the AUTOAXES round mode constants: AUTOAXES_EXACT, AUTOAXES_NEAR, AUTOAXES_FAR.
AutoScaleRoundYMode	Get/Set the auto-scale mode for the y-coordinate. Use one of the AUTOAXES round mode constants: AUTOAXES_EXACT, AUTOAXES_NEAR, AUTOAXES_FAR.
MaxDisplayHistory	Get/Set the maximum number of points displayed.
MinSamplesForAutoScale	Get/Set the minimum number of samples that need to be in the dataset before an auto-scale operation is carried out. This prevents the first datapoints from generating an arbitrarily small range.
ScrollRescaleMargin	Get/Set the scroll rescale margin. When the limits of the scale needs to be increased, the ScrollRescaleMargin * (current range of the x-axis) is added to the upper and lower limits of the current scale.
ScrollScaleModeX	Get/Set the scrolling mode for the x-coordinate. Use one of the x-axis scroll frame constants: RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_X, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MIN, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MAX, RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
ScrollScaleModeY	Get/Set the scrolling mode for the y-coordinate. Use one of the y-axis scroll frame constants: RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_Y, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_CURRENT_SCALE, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MIN, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MAX, RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX, RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL, RT_MAXEXTENT_FIXEDSTART_AUTOSCROLL, RT_FIXEDNUMPOINT_AUTOSCROLL
TimeStampMode	Get/Set the time stamp mode for the time values in the process variables. Use one of the time stamp mode constants: RT_NOT_MONOTONIC_Y_MODE - not monotonic

means that the x-values do not have to increase with increasing time. A real-time xy plot that plots x-values against y-values might have this characteristic.
RT_MONOTONIC_Y_MODE – The default value. Monotonic means that the x-values always increase with increasing time. If the scroll frame routines know that the x-values will never "backtrack" it speeds up the search algorithm for minimum and maximum x-values to use in auto-scaling the x-axis.

A complete listing of **RTVerticalScrollFrame** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

See the example VerticalScrolling for example of the use of the **RTVerticalScrollFrame** class.

[C#]

```
scrollFrame =  New RTVerticalScrollFrame(Me, currentTemperature1, pTransform1,
     ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2)

scrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
' Allow 400 samples to accumlate before autoscaling y-axis. This prevents rapid
' changes of the y-scale for the first few samples
scrollFrame.MinSamplesForAutoScale = 400
scrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05

chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame)
```

[VB]

```
scrollFrame = New RTVerticalScrollFrame(Me, currentTemperature1, pTransform1,
     ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2)

scrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
' Allow 400 samples to accumlate before autoscaling y-axis. This prevents rapid
' changes of the y-scale for the first few samples
scrollFrame.MinSamplesForAutoScale = 400
scrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame)
```

Single Channel Scrolling Graphs

Class RTSimpleSingleValuePlot

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTSingleValueIndicator
RTSimpleSingleValuePlot

The **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** plot class uses a template based on the **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** class to create a real-time plot that displays **RTProcessVar** current and historical real-time data in a scrolling line, scrolling bar, or scrolling scatter plot format. Any plot object derived from the **QCChart2D CF SimplePlot** can be plotted as a scrolling graph.

RTSimpleSingleValuePlot constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal plottemplate As SimplePlot, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal plottemplate As SimplePlot, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar _
)


[C#]
public RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimplePlot plottemplate,
   RTProcessVar datasource
);


public RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(
   SimplePlot plottemplate,
   RTProcessVar datasource
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** object.

plottemplate

This **SimplePlot** object is used as a template for the scrolling plot object.

datasource

The source process variable.

Selected Public Instance Properties

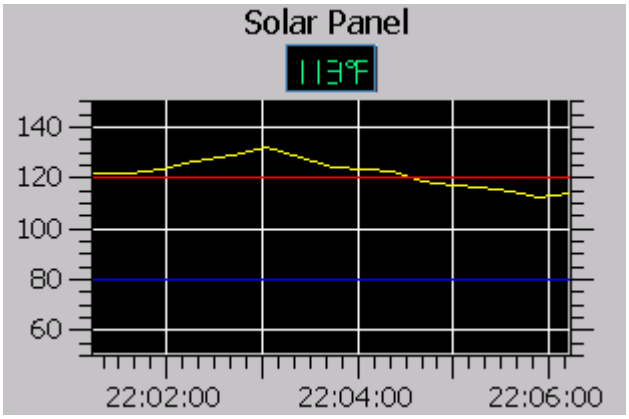
EndOfPlotLineMarker	Get/Set The end of plot marker type. Use one of the Marker marker type constants: MARKER_NULL, MARKER_VLINE, MARKER_HLINE, MARKER_HVLINE.
PlotTemplate	Get/Set the simple plot template.

A complete listing of **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for a simple single-channel scrolling line plot

The example below, extracted from the HomeAutomation example, file SolarPanelControl1, method **InitializeScrollGraph**, creates a single-channel scrolling graph.

Note: Both the **RTScrollFrame** and the **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** objects are added to the **ChartView**. When the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method is called, the **RTScrollFrame** object in the **ChartView** object list causes the scroll graph coordinate system to be re-scaled to reflect the current data values. The **RTSimpleSingleValue** object in the **ChartView** list redraws the line plot in the new re-scaled coordinate system.



[C#]

```
scrollFrame = new RTScrollFrame(this, currentTemperature1,
       pTransform1, ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL);
scrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_Y;
scrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05;
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame);
```

```
SimpleLinePlot lineplot =  new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, null, attrib1);
lineplot.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
RTSimpleSingleValuePlot solarPanelLinePlot =
        new RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1,lineplot, currentTemperature1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(solarPanelLinePlot);
```

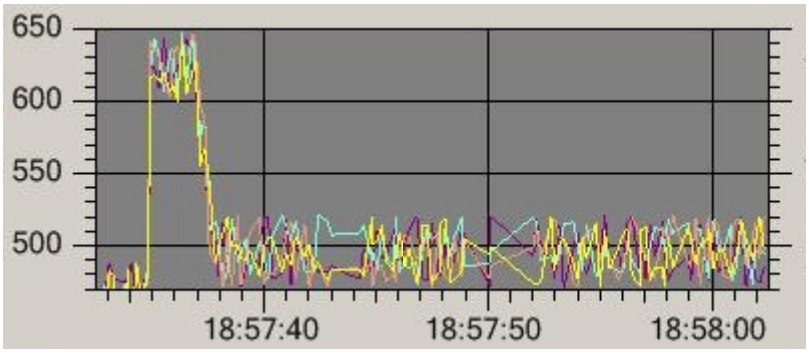
[VB]

```
scrollFrame = New RTScrollFrame(Me, currentTemperature1, pTransform1, _
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_NO_AUTOSCALE_Y
scrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame)

Dim lineplot As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Nothing, attrib1)
lineplot.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
Dim solarPanelLinePlot As New RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1, _
        lineplot, currentTemperature1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(solarPanelLinePlot)
```

Example for a multi-channel scrolling line plot

The example below, extracted from the Dynamometer example, file DynamometerControl1, method **InitializeEngine1ScrollGraph**, creates a multi-channel scrolling graph.

Note: You do not have to use an **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** to plot multi-channel data in a scrolling graph. You can just use multiple **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** objects as in the example below. You can also mix object types, including line plots, bar plots and scatter plot in the same scrolling graph.



[C#]

```
scrollFrame1 = new RTScrollFrame(this, EngineCylinderTemp1[0],
        pTransform1, ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL);

scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1[1]);
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1[2]);
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1[3]);
scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
scrollFrame1.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05;
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame1);
for (int i=0; i < 4; i++)
{
    SimpleLinePlot lineplot =
        new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, null, attribarray[i]);
    lineplot.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
    rtLinePlotArray1[i] =
        new RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1,lineplot, EngineCylinderTemp1[i]);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(rtLinePlotArray1[i]);
}
```

[VB]

```
scrollFrame1 = New RTScrollFrame(Me, EngineCylinderTemp1(0), pTransform1,
ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)

scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1(1))
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1(2))
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp1(3))
scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
scrollFrame1.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame1)

Dim i As Integer
For i = 0 To 3
  Dim lineplot As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Nothing, attribarray(i))
  lineplot.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
  rtLinePlotArray1(i) = New RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1, _
    lineplot, EngineCylinderTemp1(i))
  chartVu.AddChartObject(rtLinePlotArray1(i))
Next i
```

13. Multi-Channel Scrolling Plots

RTGroupMultiValuePlot

The **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** class can be used to plot multi-channel scrolling plot data. It uses the **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** class as a template to define the attributes of the multi-channel plot. It is not the only technique, since the previous chapter had an example that plotted multiple line plots using the **RTSimpleSingleValue** plot class. If you need to plot multiple channel data, and each channel is a different plot type (i.e. one channel is a line plot, the next channel is a bar plot and the third channel is a scatter plot), you must use the technique that uses **RTSimpleSingleValue** objects**.**

There are two basic types of **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** objects. The first type is a multi-channel plot. Plot objects of this type include **QCChart2D CF MultiLinePlot**, **QCChart2D CF StackedLinePlot**, **QCChart2D CF GroupBarPlot**, **QCChart2D CF StackedBarPlot**. These objects are characterized as having unique **ChartAttribute** objects defining the colors and fill characteristic of each channel. The second type is the multi-variable plot. These are objects that require two or more y-values to characterize the plot at a given instance in time. These include the **QCChart2D CF HistogramPlot, QCChart2D CF BubblePlot, QCChart2D CF FloatingBarPlot, QCChart2D CF CellPlot** and **QCChart2D CF OHLCPlot** classes**.** Usually one instance of one of these multi-variable objects is characterized by a single **ChartAttribute**, similar to the **QChart2D.SimplePlot** objects. Both types of **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** objects can be used in scrolling graphs.

Multi-Channel Scrolling Graphs

Class RTGroupMultiValuePlot

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.ChartPlot
RTPlot
RTMultiValueIndicator
RTGroupMultiValuePlot

The **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** plot class uses a template based on the **QCChart2D CF GroupPlot** class to create a real-time plot that displays a collection of **RTProcessVar** objects as a group plot in a scrolling graph format.

RTGroupMultiValuePlot constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal plottemplate As GroupPlot, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar() _
)
[C#]
public RTGroupMultiValuePlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupPlot plottemplate,
   RTProcessVar[] datasource
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTGroupMultiPlot** object.

plottemplate

A template defining the group plot object.

datasource

An array of **RTProcessVar** objects, one for each group in the group plot template.

Selected Public Instance Properties

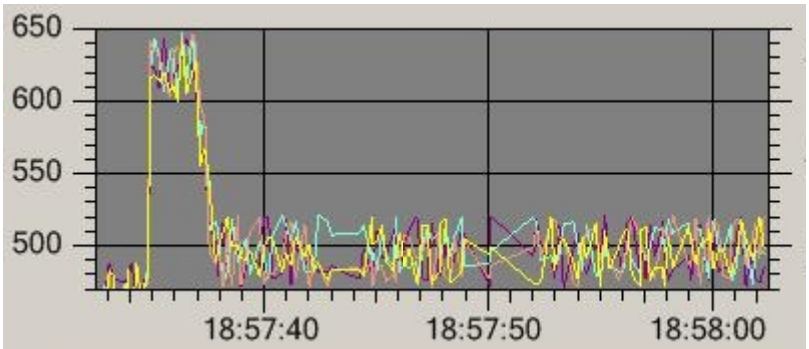
EndOfPlotLineMarker	Get/Set The end of plot marker type. Use one of the Marker marker type constants: MARKER_NULL, MARKER_VLINE, MARKER_HLINE, MARKER_HVLINE.
MarkerGroupNumber	Get/Set the group number that is used for the end of plot line marker.
PlotTemplate	Get/Set the group plot template.

A complete listing of **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for a multi-channel scrolling line plot

The example below, extracted from the Dynamometer example, file DynamometerControl1, method **InitializeEngine2ScrollGraph**, creates a multi-channel scrolling graph.

Note: You do not have to use an **RTGroupMultiValuePlot** to plot multi-channel data in a scrolling graph. You can just use multiple **RTSimpleSingleValuePlot** objects as in the InitializeEngine1ScrollGraph method.



[C#]

```
scrollFrame2 =
    new RTScrollFrame(this, EngineCylinderTemp2[0], pTransform1,
                ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL);
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2[1]);
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2[2]);
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2[3]);
scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
scrollFrame2.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05;

MultiLinePlot multilineplot =  new MultiLinePlot(pTransform1, null, attribarray);
multilineplot.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
rtMultiLinePlot =
    new RTGroupMultiValuePlot(pTransform1,multilineplot, EngineCylinderTemp2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtMultiLinePlot);

chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame2);
```

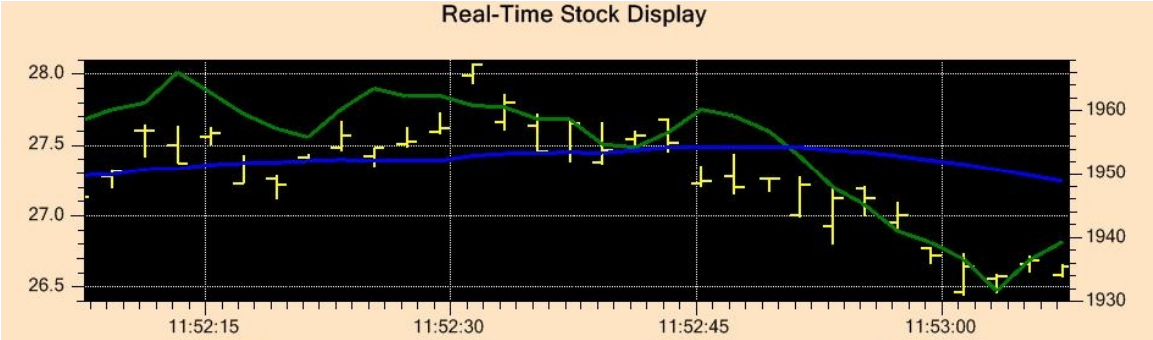
[VB]

```
scrollFrame2 = New RTScrollFrame(Me, EngineCylinderTemp2(0), _
       pTransform1, ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2(1))
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2(2))
scrollFrame2.AddProcessVar(EngineCylinderTemp2(3))
scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
scrollFrame2.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame2)
```

```
Dim multilineplot As New MultiLinePlot(pTransform1, Nothing, attribarray)
multilineplot.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X) '
rtMultiLinePlot = New RTGroupMultiValuePlot(pTransform1, multilineplot, _
        EngineCylinderTemp2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtMultiLinePlot)

chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame2)
```

Example for multi-scale, multi-axis scrolling graph combining stock open-high-low-close plots with line plots.

The example below, extracted from the RTStockDisplay example, method **InitializeScrollGraph**, creates a multi-channel scrolling graph the combines an open-high-low-close plots with line plots using two different scales.



[C#]

```
scrollFrame1 =
        new RTScrollFrame(this, stockOpen1, pTransform1,
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL);
scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
// Need to add this ProcessVar s to have auto-scale work for
// all values of OHLC plot
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockHigh1);
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockLow1);
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockClose1);
scrollFrame1.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05;
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame1);

scrollFrame2 = new RTScrollFrame(this, NASDAQChannel,
        pTransform2, ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL);
scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
scrollFrame2.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05;
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame2);
```

```
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Yellow, 1,DashStyle.Solid);

OHLCPlot ohlcplot1 = new OHLCPlot(pTransform1, null,
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.SECOND,1.25),  attrib1);
ohlcplot1.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
RTProcessVar [] stockvars = {stockOpen1, stockHigh1, stockLow1, stockClose1};
rtPlot1 = new RTGroupMultiValuePlot(pTransform1,ohlcplot1, stockvars);
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot1);

ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
SimpleLinePlot lineplot2 =  new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, null, attrib2);
lineplot2.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
rtPlot2 = new RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform2,lineplot2, NASDAQChannel);
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot2);

ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);

SimpleLinePlot lineplot3 =  new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, null, attrib3);
lineplot3.SetFastClipMode( ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
rtPlot3 = new RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1,lineplot3, movingAverageStock);
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot3);
```

[VB]

```
scrollFrame1 = New RTScrollFrame(Me, stockOpen1, pTransform1, _
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
'Need to add this ProcessVar s to have auto-scale work for all values of OHLC plot
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockHigh1)
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockLow1)
scrollFrame1.AddProcessVar(stockClose1)
scrollFrame1.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame1)

scrollFrame2 = New RTScrollFrame(Me, NASDAQChannel, pTransform2, _
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL)
scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
scrollFrame2.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.05
chartVu.AddChartObject(scrollFrame2)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim ohlcplot1 As New OHLCPlot(pTransform1, Nothing, _
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.SECOND, 1.25), attrib1)
```

```
ohlcplot1.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
Dim stockvars As RTProcessVar() = {stockOpen1, stockHigh1, stockLow1, stockClose1}
rtPlot1 = New RTGroupMultiValuePlot(pTransform1, ohlcplot1, stockvars)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot1)

Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, DashStyle.Solid)

Dim lineplot2 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, Nothing, attrib2)
lineplot2.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
rtPlot2 = New RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform2, lineplot2, NASDAQChannel)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot2)
Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim lineplot3 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, Nothing, attrib3)
lineplot3.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
rtPlot3 = New RTSimpleSingleValuePlot(pTransform1, lineplot3, movingAverageStock)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rtPlot3)
```

14. Buttons, Track Bars and Other Form Control Classes

RTControlButton
RTControlTrackBar
RTFormControl
RTFormControlPanelMeter
RTFormControlGrid

Real-time displays often require user interface features such as buttons and track bars. The Visual Studio .Net platform includes a large number of useful controls. The .Net **TrackBar** **HScrollBar**, **VScrollBar**, **Button** and **PictureBox** controls are examples of what we refer collectively as Form Controls. Sometime though the .Net Form controls have annoying shortcomings. One that is common to all controls is that in the intial release of .Net CF, the background color of all controls was gray and could not be changed. The **HScrollBar**, **VScrollBar** and the **TrackBar** controls have the fault that they work only with an integer range of values. The **Button** controls are momentary and require extra programming in order to use them as toggle buttons or radio buttons. The **Radio Button** class requires that they be explicitly be added to a **Group** control, which because of z-order rendering problems does not work well on our **ChartView** drawing platform.

We created subclassed versions of the **TrackBar** control and the **Button** control. Our version of the **TrackBar** control is **RTControlTrackBar** and adds floating point scaling for the track bar endpoints, increments, current value and tick mark frequency. Our version of the **Button** control is **RTControlButton** and adds superior On/Off button text and color control and supports momentary, toggle and radio button styles

No matter what Form Control is used, either ours or the original .Net Form controls, it can be used in conjunction with the **RTFormControl**, **RTFormControlPanelMeter** and **RTFormControlGrid** classes.

Important Note – Button and Trackbar Colors

Early versions of the .Net CF do not support colors for the Trackbar and Button controls; they are always gray. This includes the Windows CE Emulator that ships with Visual Studio .Net 2003. Newer versions of the .Net runtime system are available in some emulators. It seems that .Net CF 1.0 SP2 does support button and trackbar colors. The QCRTGraph software sets button and trackbar colors using the standard .Net CF background color properties of those controls. If your target device is running .Net CF 1.0 SP2 or greater, you should see the controls in color; otherwise the controls will be gray.

Control Buttons

Class RTControlButton

System.Windows.Forms.Button
RTControlButton

The **RTControlButton** class is subclassed from the .Net **Button** class. It combines the features of a toggle button and momentary closure button. A toggle button acts more like a check box; when it is pressed it toggles its state to checked or unchecked. A momentary button is more like a regular .Net button; when the button is pressed it is only in the checked state while pressed, otherwise it returns to the unchecked state. When an **RTControlButton** is added to an **RTFormControlGrid**, it can also act as a radio button, where all radio buttons in an **RTFormControlGrid** are mutually exclusive. The **RTControlButton** also adds unique color and text properties for the button in both the checked and unchecked state.

RTControlButton constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal buttontype As Integer _
)

[C#]
public RTControlButton(
   int buttontype
);
```

Parameters

buttontype

The button type of the new button. User on of the button subtype constants:
RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE,
RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE,
RT_CONTROL_TOGGLEBUTTON_SUBTYPE.

Selected Public Instance Properties

ButtonChecked	Get/Set the button check state.
ButtonCheckedColor	Get/Set the color of the button when the button is checked.
ButtonCheckedText	Get/Set the button text when the button is checked.
ButtonCheckedTextColor	Get/Set the color of the button text when the button is checked.
ButtonSubtype	Get/Set the button subtype. RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE, RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE,

	RT_CONTROL_TOGGLEBUTTON_SUBTYPE
ButtonUncheckedColor	Get/Set the color of the button when the button is unchecked.
ButtonUncheckedText	Get/Set the button text when the button is unchecked.
ButtonUncheckedTextColor	Get/Set the color of the button text when the button is unchecked.

A complete listing of **RTControlButton** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for momentary and toggle buttons

The example below, extracted from the PIDControlTuner example creates three **RTControlButton** buttons; two are momentary buttons and one is a toggle button. The buttons are added to an **RTFormControlGrid** in order to position them as a logical group.

[C#]

```
RTControlButton ResetErrorTerm =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
RTControlButton ResetAll =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
RTControlButton StartControl =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_TOGGLEBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
.
.
.
public void InitializeStartStopButtons()
{
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 3,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Coral);
    Font buttonfont = font9Bold;
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    ArrayList buttonlist = new ArrayList();
    StartControl.ButtonUncheckedText = "Start";
    StartControl.ButtonCheckedText = "Stop";
    StartControl.Click +=
```

```
        new System.EventHandler(this.controlOn_Button_Click);
    StartControl.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    StartControl.ButtonChecked = false;
    buttonlist.Add(StartControl);

    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset Error";
    ResetErrorTerm.Click +=
        new System.EventHandler(this.resetErrorTerm_Button_Click);
    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonChecked = false;
    buttonlist.Add(ResetErrorTerm);

    ResetAll.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset All";
    ResetAll.Click += new System.EventHandler(resetAll_Button_Click);
    ResetAll.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    ResetAll.ButtonChecked = false;

    buttonlist.Add(ResetAll);

    int numColumns = 3;
    int numRows = 1;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.73, .94, 0.99, 0.99) ;
    RTFormControlGrid controlgrid =
        ew  RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, null, buttonlist, numColumns,
        numRows,   attrib1);
    controlgrid.CellRowMargin = 0.0;
    controlgrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.00;
    controlgrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = true;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(controlgrid);
}
```

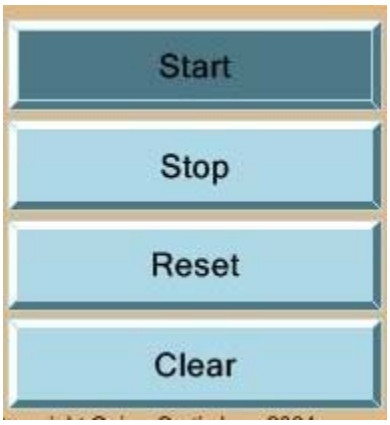
[VB]

```
Private ResetErrorTerm As New
RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
Private ResetAll As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
Private StartControl As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_TOGGLEBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
.
.
.
Public Sub InitializeStartStopButtons()
```

```
    Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 3, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Coral)
    Dim buttonfont As Font = font9Bold
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    Dim buttonlist As New ArrayList()

    StartControl.ButtonUncheckedText = "Start"
    StartControl.ButtonCheckedText = "Stop"
    AddHandler StartControl.Click, AddressOf Me.controlOn_Button_Click
    StartControl.ButtonFont = buttonfont
    StartControl.ButtonChecked = False
    buttonlist.Add(StartControl)

    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset Error"
    AddHandler ResetErrorTerm.Click, AddressOf Me.resetErrorTerm_Button_Click
    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonFont = buttonfont
    ResetErrorTerm.ButtonChecked = False
    buttonlist.Add(ResetErrorTerm)

    ResetAll.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset All"
    AddHandler ResetAll.Click, AddressOf Me.resetAll_Button_Click
    ResetAll.ButtonFont = buttonfont
    ResetAll.ButtonChecked = False
    buttonlist.Add(ResetAll)

    Dim numColumns As Integer = 3
    Dim numRows As Integer = 1

    Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.73, 0.94, 0.99, 0.99)

    Dim controlgrid As New RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, Nothing, _
        buttonlist, numColumns, numRows, attrib1)
    controlgrid.CellRowMargin = 0.0
    controlgrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.0
    controlgrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = True
    chartVu.AddChartObject(controlgrid)
End Sub 'InitializeStartStopButtons
```

Example for momentary and radio buttons

The example below, extracted from the FetalMonitor example, creates four **RTControlButton** buttons; two are momentary buttons and two are radio buttons. The buttons are added to an **RTFormControlGrid** in order to position them as a logical group.



[C#]

```
RTControlButton StartButton =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
RTControlButton StopButton =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
RTControlButton ResetButton =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
RTControlButton ClearButton =
    new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE);

public void InitializeStartStopButtons()
{  Font buttonfont = font12Bold;

    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        w CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, .65, 0.2, 0.98) ;
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 5,DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);
    ArrayList buttonlist1 = new ArrayList();

    StartButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Start";
    StartButton.ButtonChecked = true;
    StartButton.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.selector_Button_Click);
    StartButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    buttonlist1.Add(StartButton);
```

```
    StopButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Stop";
    StopButton.ButtonChecked = false;
    StopButton.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.selector_Button_Click);
    StopButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    buttonlist1.Add(StopButton);

    ResetButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset";
    ResetButton.ButtonChecked = false;
    ResetButton.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.selector_Button_Click);
    ResetButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    buttonlist1.Add(ResetButton);

    ClearButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Clear";
    ClearButton.ButtonChecked = false;
    ClearButton.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.selector_Button_Click);
    ClearButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
    buttonlist1.Add(ClearButton);

    int numColumns = 1;
    int numRows = 4;

    startStopControlGrid =
        new RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, null, buttonlist1, numColumns,
                numRows,   attrib1);
    startStopControlGrid.CellRowMargin = 0.1;
    startStopControlGrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.0;
    startStopControlGrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = flag3DBorder;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(startStopControlGrid);

.
.
.
}
```

[VB]

```
Private StartButton As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
Private StopButton As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
Private ResetButton As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
Private ClearButton As New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_MOMENTARYBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
.
.
.
```

```
Public Sub InitializeStartStopButtons()
   Dim buttonfont As Font = font12Bold
   Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me

   Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
   pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, 0.65, 0.2, 0.98)
   Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)

   Dim buttonlist1 As New ArrayList()

   StartButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Start"
   StartButton.ButtonChecked = True
   AddHandler StartButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
   StartButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

    buttonlist1.Add(StartButton)

    StopButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Stop"
    StopButton.ButtonChecked = False
    AddHandler StopButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
    StopButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

     buttonlist1.Add(StopButton)

     ResetButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Reset"
     ResetButton.ButtonChecked = False
     AddHandler ResetButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
     ResetButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

     buttonlist1.Add(ResetButton)

     ClearButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Clear"
     ClearButton.ButtonChecked = False
     AddHandler ClearButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
     ClearButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

     buttonlist1.Add(ClearButton)

     Dim numColumns As Integer = 1
     Dim numRows As Integer = 4

     startStopControlGrid = New RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, _
                Nothing, buttonlist1, numColumns, numRows, attrib1)
```

```
startStopControlGrid.CellRowMargin = 0.1
startStopControlGrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.0
startStopControlGrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = flag3DBorder
chartVu.AddChartObject(startStopControlGrid)

Dim buttonlist2 As New ArrayList()

Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightGreen)

Dim pTransform2 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.21, 0.65, 0.4, 0.98)

PrimaryLineButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Primary Line"
PrimaryLineButton.ButtonChecked = False
AddHandler PrimaryLineButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
PrimaryLineButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

buttonlist2.Add(PrimaryLineButton)

SecondaryLineButton.ButtonUncheckedText = "Secondary Line"
SecondaryLineButton.ButtonChecked = False
AddHandler SecondaryLineButton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
SecondaryLineButton.ButtonFont = buttonfont

buttonlist2.Add(SecondaryLineButton)

Concurrent.ButtonUncheckedText = "Concurrent"
Concurrent.ButtonChecked = False
AddHandler Concurrent.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_Button_Click
Concurrent.ButtonFont = buttonfont

 buttonlist2.Add(Concurrent)

 numColumns = 1
 numRows = 4

 Dim controlgrid2 As New RTFormControlGrid(pTransform2, Nothing, _
      buttonlist2, numColumns, numRows, attrib2)
 controlgrid2.CellRowMargin = 0.1
 controlgrid2.CellColumnMargin = 0.0
 controlgrid2.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = flag3DBorder
 chartVu.AddChartObject(controlgrid2)
End Sub 'InitializeStartStopButtons
```

Control TrackBars

Class RTControlTrackBar

System.Windows.Forms.TrackBar
    RTControlTrackBar

The **RTControlTrackBar** class is subclassed from the .Net **TrackBar** class. Our version of the **TrackBar** control adds floating point scaling for the track bar endpoints, increments, current value and tick mark frequency.

RTControlButton constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal minvalue As Double, _
   ByVal maxvalue As Double, _
   ByVal largechange As Double, _
   ByVal smallchange As Double, _
   ByVal tickfrequency As Double _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal minvalue As Double, _
   ByVal maxvalue As Double _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTControlTrackBar(
   double minvalue,
   double maxvalue,
   double largechange,
   double smallchange,
   double tickfrequency
);

public RTControlTrackBar(
   double minvalue,
   double maxvalue
);
```

Parameters

minvalue
    Specifies the floating point minimum value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.Minimum** property, except allows floating point numbers.

maxvalue
    Specifies the floating point maximum value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.Maximum** property, except allows floating point numbers.

largechange
Specifies the floating point large change value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.LargeChange** property, except allows floating point numbers.

smallchange
Specifies the floating point small change value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.SmallChange** property, except allows floating point numbers.

tickfrequency
Specifies the floating point tick frequency value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.TickFrequency** property, except allows floating point numbers.

Selected Public Instance Properties

RTOrientation	Gets or sets a value indicating the horizontal or vertical orientation (**Orientation.Horizontal** or **Orientation.Vertical**) of the track bar.
RTLargeChange	Specifies the floating point large change value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.LargeChange** property, except allows floating point numbers.
RTMaximum	Specifies the floating point maximum value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.Maximum** property, except allows floating point numbers
RTMinimum	Specifies the floating point minimum value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.Minimum** property, except allows floating point numbers
RTSmallChange	Specifies the floating point small change value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.SmallChange** property, except allows floating point numbers.
RTTickFrequency	Specifies the floating point tick frequency value for the track bar. Equivalent to the **TrackBar.TickFrequency** property, except allows floating point numbers
RTValue	Specifies the double value of the **RTControlTrackBar** slider.

A complete listing of **RTControlTrackBar** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for single RTControlTrackBar combined with an RTNumericPanelMeter

The example below, extracted from the Treadmill example, creates a single **RTControlTrackBar** and positions a large numeric readout of the trackbar value next to it.

[C#]

```
public void InitializeLeftPanelMeters()
{
    Font trackbarfont = font64Numeric;
    Font trackbarTitlefont = font12Bold;

    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, .12, 0.06, 0.3) ;
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.LightBlue, 7,DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);

    runnersPaceTrackbar =
        new RTControlTrackBar(0.0, 15.0, 0.1, 1.0, 1);
    runnersPaceTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Vertical;
    runnersPaceTrackbar.RTValue = 3; // MUST USE RTValue to set double value
    RTFormControlPanelMeter formControlTrackBar1 =
        new RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPaceTrackbar, attrib1);
    formControlTrackBar1.RTDataSource = runnersPace;
    formControlTrackBar1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION;
    formControlTrackBar1.SetLocation(0,0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
    formControlTrackBar1.FormControlSize= new Dimension(1.0,1.0);
    ChartAttribute panelmeterattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue,3,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
    RTNumericPanelMeter panelmeter1 =
        new RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPace,panelmeterattrib);
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = trackbarfont;
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 1;
    panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RIGHT_REFERENCED_TEXT;
    panelmeter1.SetPositionReference( formControlTrackBar1);
    formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter1);
```

```
.
.
.
    chartVu.AddChartObject(formControlTrackBar1);
.
.
.
}
```

[VB]

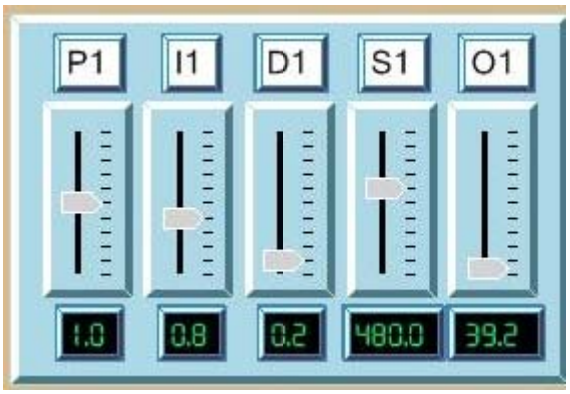
```
Public Sub InitializeLeftPanelMeters()
    Dim trackbarfont As Font = font64Numeric
    Dim trackbarTitlefont As Font = font12Bold
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.01, 0.12, 0.06, 0.3)
    Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 7, DashStyle._
        Solid, Color.LightBlue)

    runnersPaceTrackbar = New RTControlTrackBar(0.0, 15.0, 0.1, 1.0, 1)
    runnersPaceTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Vertical

    runnersPaceTrackbar.RTValue = 3 ' MUST USE RTValue to set double value
    Dim formControlTrackBar1 As New RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform1, _
        runnersPaceTrackbar, attrib1)
    formControlTrackBar1.RTDataSource = runnersPace
    formControlTrackBar1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION
    formControlTrackBar1.SetLocation(0, 0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
    formControlTrackBar1.FormControlSize = New Dimension(1.0, 1.0) ' Must be in same
units as SetLocation
    Dim panelmeterattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.SteelBlue, 3, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Black)
    Dim panelmeter1 As New RTNumericPanelMeter(pTransform1, runnersPace,
panelmeterattrib)
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.TextFont = trackbarfont
    panelmeter1.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 1
    panelmeter1.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.RIGHT_REFERENCED_TEXT
    panelmeter1.SetPositionReference(formControlTrackBar1)
    formControlTrackBar1.AddPanelMeter(panelmeter1)
.
.
.
```

```
    chartVu.AddChartObject(formControlTrackBar1)
.
.
.
End Sub 'InitializeLeftPanelMeters
```

Example for multiple RTControlTrackBar controls in an RTFormControlGrid

The example below, extracted from the PIDControlTuner example creates four **RTControlTrackBar** controls. The trackbars are added to an **RTFormControlGrid** in order to position them as a logical group.

Note: If an **RTNumericPanelMeter** template is applied to the **RTControlTrackBar** controls in an **RTFormControlGtrid**, they will all end up with the same number of digits to the right of the decimal, since one template applies to all of the track bars. If the dynamic range of the track bars different enough to require unique decimal precision settings, separate them into different grids.




```
See the method InitializePIDParameterTrackbars() in the RTPIDControlTuner examplefor the
source to this example.
```

Form Control Panel Meter

This panel meter class encapsulates Form Control objects, including our own **RTControlButton** and **RTControlTrackBar** objects in a panel meter class, so that controls can be added to indicator objects.

Class RTFormControlPanelMeter

RTPanelMeter

RTFormControlPanelMeter

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar, _
   ByVal formcontrol As Control, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal formcontrol As Control, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public RTFormControlPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar datasource,
   Control formcontrol,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTFormControlPanelMeter(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Control formcontrol,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTFormControlPanelMeter** object.

datasource

The process variable associated with the control.

formcontrol

A reference to the Control assigned to this panel meter.

attrib

The color attributes of the panel meter.

Selected Public Instance Properties

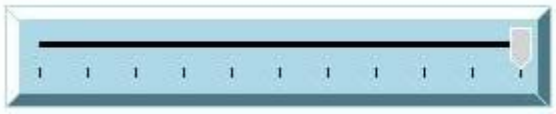
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
ChartObjScale (inherited	Sets the reference to the **PhysicalCoordinates** object that the chart object is placed in

from **GraphObj**)	
ControlSizeMode	Set/Get to the size mode for the Control. Use one of the Control size mode constants: RT_ORIG_CONTROL_SIZE, RT_MIN_CONTROL_SIZE, RT_INDICATORRECT_CONTROL_SIZE.
FormControlSize	Get the size of the form control in device units.
Frame3DEnable (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get to true to enable a 3D frame for the panel meter.
IndicatorRect (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Get/Set Indicator positioning rect.
PanelMeterNudge (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the xy values of the panelMeterNudge property. It moves the relative position, using window device coordinates, of the text relative to the specified location of the text.
PanelMeterPosition (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the panel meter position value. See the panel meter position table in the **RTPanelMeter** chapter.
PanelMeterRectangle (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get the panel meter bounding rectangle.
PanelMeterTemplate (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Get a **ChartLabel** object representing the panel meters template.
PositionReference (inherited from **RTPanelMeter**)	Set/Get an **RTPanelMeter** object used as a positioning reference for this RTPanelMeter object.
PositionType (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Get/Sets the current position type.
PrimaryChannel (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the primary channel of the indicator.
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTSingleValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.

A complete listing of **RTFormControlPanelMeter** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTControlPanelMeter encapsulation an RTControlTrackBar

The example below, extracted from the Polygraph example, creates an **RTControlPanelMeter** using an **RTControlTrackBar**.



[C#]

```
RTControlTrackBar timeAxisControlTrackbar;
.
.
public void InitializeTimeAxisTrackbar()
{
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.White, 3,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Coral);
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform2 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.7, 0.93, 0.98, 0.99) ;
    ChartAttribute tbattrib =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.LightBlue, 7,DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);
    double starttime = origStartTime.GetCalendarMsecs();
    double endtime = origEndTime.GetCalendarMsecs();
    double range = endtime - starttime;
    timeAxisControlTrackbar = new RTControlTrackBar(0, 100, 10, 1, 10);
    timeAxisControlTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Horizontal;
    timeAxisControlTrackbar.Click +=
        new System.EventHandler(this.timeAxisControlTrackbar_Click);
    timeAxisControlTrackbar.RTValue = 100;
    RTFormControlPanelMeter timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar =
         RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform2, timeAxisControlTrackbar, tbattrib);
    timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION;
    timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.SetLocation(0,0.0);
    timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.FormControlSize= new Dimension(1.0,1.0);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar);
}
```

[VB]

```
Private timeAxisControlTrackbar As RTControlTrackBar
.
.
.
```

```
Public Sub InitializeTimeAxisTrackbar()
    Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.White, 3, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Coral)
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me

    Dim pTransform2 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
    pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.7, 0.93, 0.98, 0.99)

    Dim tbattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 7, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)

    Dim starttime As Double = origStartTime.GetCalendarMsecs()
    Dim endtime As Double = origEndTime.GetCalendarMsecs()
    Dim range As Double = endtime - starttime
    timeAxisControlTrackbar = New RTControlTrackBar(0, 100, 10, 1, 10)
    timeAxisControlTrackbar.Orientation = Orientation.Horizontal
    AddHandler timeAxisControlTrackbar.Click, AddressOf Me.timeAxisControlTrackbar_Click

    timeAxisControlTrackbar.RTValue = 100 ' MUST USE RTValue to set double value
    Dim timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar As New RTFormControlPanelMeter(pTransform2, _
        timeAxisControlTrackbar, tbattrib)
    timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.PanelMeterPosition = ChartObj.CUSTOM_POSITION
    timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.SetLocation(0, 0.0)
   timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar.FormControlSize = New Dimension(1.0, 1.0)
   chartVu.AddChartObject(timeAxisControlPanelTrackBar)
End Sub 'InitializeTimeAxisTrackbar
```

Form Control Grid

The **RTFormControlGrid** organizes a collection of **Form Control** objects functionally and visually in a grid format. An **RTControlButton** must be added to an **RTFormControlGrid** before the radio button processes of the **RTControlButton** will work.

Class RTFormControlGrid

RTMultiValueIndicator
RTFormControlGrid

RTFormControlGrid constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
```

```
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar(), _
   ByVal formcontrolarray As ArrayList, _
   ByVal numcols As Integer, _
   ByVal numrows As Integer, _
   ByVal colheads As String(), _
   ByVal rowheads As String(), _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar(), _
   ByVal formcontrolarray As ArrayList, _
   ByVal numcols As Integer, _
   ByVal numrows As Integer, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal datasource As RTProcessVar(), _
   ByVal formcontrolarray As ArrayList, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public RTFormControlGrid(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar[] datasource,
   ArrayList formcontrolarray,
   int numcols,
   int numrows,
   string[] colheads,
   string[] rowheads,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTFormControlGrid(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar[] datasource,
   ArrayList formcontrolarray,
   int numcols,
   int numrows,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public RTFormControlGrid(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   RTProcessVar[] datasource,
   ArrayList formcontrolarray,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTFormControlGrid** object.

datasource

An array of the process variables associated with the control grid objects.

formcontrolarray

An array of the Controls assigned to the control grid.

numcols

The number of columns in the control grid.

numrows

The number of rows in the control grid.

colheads

An array of string that is used as the column heads for the control grid.

rowheads

An array of string that is used as the row heads for the control grid.

attrib

A single attribute object that applies to all control grid objects.

Selected Public Instance Properties

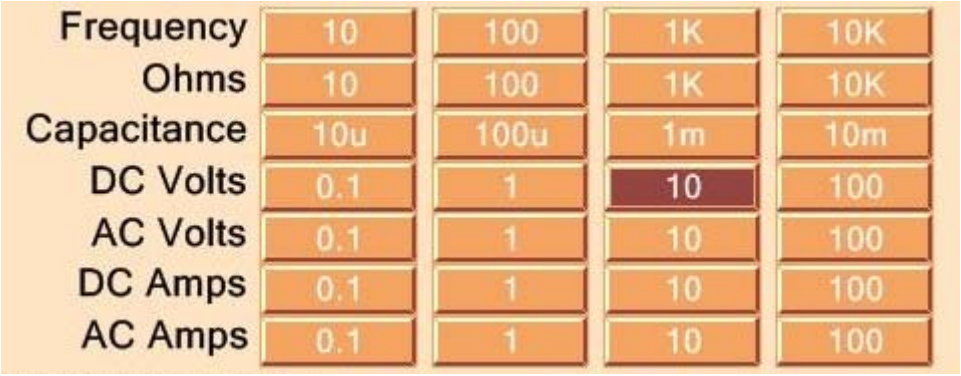
CellColumnMargin	Get/Set the extra space between columns of the grid, specified in normalized NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.
CellRowMargin	Get/Set the extra space between rows of the grid, specified in normalized NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a ChartAttribute object.
ChartObjScale (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the reference to the **PhysicalCoordinates** object that the chart object is placed in
ColumnHeaders	Set/Get the column headers.
FormControlTemplate	Set/Get the row headers.
HeadersTemplate	Set/Get the string template.
InternalAction	Set/Get to true if you want radio button click and scroll bar value changed events processed to update colors of buttons and numeric values of scroll bars.
NumberColumns	Get the number of rows in the annunciator.
NumberRows	Get the number of rows in the annunciator.
NumChannels (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Get the number of channels in the indicator.
PanelMeterList (inherited from **RTPlot**)	Set/Get the panel meter list of the RT Plot.
PositionType (inherited from	Get/Sets the current position type.

GraphObj)	
RadioButtonChecked	Get/Set the extra space between columns of the grid, specified in normalized NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.
RowHeaders	Set/Get the row headers.
RTDataSource (inherited from **RTMultiValueIndicator**)	Get/Set the array list holding the **RTProcessVar** variables for the indicator.

A complete listing of **RTFormControlGrid** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for RTFormControlGrid encapsulation RTControlButton objects.

The example below, extracted from the MiniScope example, creates an **RTFormControlGrid** using a collection of **RTControlButtons**.



[C#]

```
ArrayList rangeSelectorButtons = new ArrayList();

.
.
.
public void InitializeRangeSelectorButtons()
{
    String [] selectorStrings = {"10", "100", "1K", "10K",
                                 "10", "100", "1K", "10K",
                                 "10u", "100u", "1m", "10m",
                                 "0.1","1","10", "100",
```

```
                                "0.1","1","10", "100",
                                    "0.1", "1","10", "100",
                                    "0.1", "1","10", "100"};
    String [] rowStrings = {"Frequency","Ohms", "Capacitance",
            "DC Volts", "AC Volts", "DC Amps", "AC Amps"};
    String[] colStrings = {"","","",""};
    RTControlButton rtbutton;
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    Font buttonfont = font12Bold;
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, .68, 0.95, 0.97) ;
    ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.White, 3,DashStyle.Solid, Color.SandyBrown);
    for (int i=0; i < selectorStrings.Length; i++)
    {
        rtbutton = new RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE);
        rtbutton.ButtonUncheckedText = selectorStrings[i];
        if (i == currentRangeSelectorIndex)
            rtbutton.ButtonChecked = true;
        else
            rtbutton.ButtonChecked = false;
        rtbutton.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.selector_button_Click);
        rtbutton.ButtonFont = buttonfont;
        rangeSelectorButtons.Add(rtbutton);
    }
    int numColumns = 4;
    int numRows = 7;
    RTFormControlGrid controlgrid =
        new RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, null, rangeSelectorButtons, numColumns,
                numRows,  colStrings, rowStrings, attrib1);
    controlgrid.CellRowMargin = 0.05;
    controlgrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.1;
    controlgrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = true;
    controlgrid.HeadersTemplate.LineColor = Color.Black;
    controlgrid.HeadersTemplate.TextFont = font14Bold;
    chartVu.AddChartObject(controlgrid);
}
```

[VB]

```
Private rangeSelectorButtons As New ArrayList()
```

```
.
.
.

Public Sub InitializeRangeSelectorButtons()
   Dim selectorStrings As [String]() = {"10", "100", "1K", "10K", "10", "100", "1K", _
            "10K", "10u", "100u", "1m", "10m", "0.1", "1", "10", "100", "0.1", "1", _
            "10", "100", "0.1", "1", "10", "100", "0.1", "1", "10", "100"}
   Dim rowStrings As [String]() = {"Frequency", "Ohms", "Capacitance", "DC Volts", _
               "AC Volts", "DC Amps", "AC Amps"}
   Dim colStrings As [String]() = {"", "", "", ""}
   Dim rtbutton As RTControlButton
   Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
   Dim buttonfont As Font = font12Bold

   Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
   pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, 0.68, 0.95, 0.97)
   Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.White, 3, DashStyle.Solid, Color.SandyBrown)

   Dim i As Integer
   For i = 0 To selectorStrings.Length - 1
       rtbutton = New RTControlButton(ChartObj.RT_CONTROL_RADIOBUTTON_SUBTYPE)
       rtbutton.ButtonUncheckedText = selectorStrings(i)
       If i = currentRangeSelectorIndex Then
          rtbutton.ButtonChecked = True
       Else
          rtbutton.ButtonChecked = False
       End If
       AddHandler rtbutton.Click, AddressOf Me.selector_button_Click
       rtbutton.ButtonFont = buttonfont
       rangeSelectorButtons.Add(rtbutton)
   Next i

   Dim numColumns As Integer = 4
   Dim numRows As Integer = 7
   Dim controlgrid As New RTFormControlGrid(pTransform1, Nothing, _
        rangeSelectorButtons, numColumns, numRows, colStrings, rowStrings, attrib1)
   controlgrid.CellRowMargin = 0.05
   controlgrid.CellColumnMargin = 0.1
   controlgrid.FormControlTemplate.Frame3DEnable = True
   controlgrid.HeadersTemplate.LineColor = Color.Black
   controlgrid.HeadersTemplate.TextFont = font14Bold
   chartVu.AddChartObject(controlgrid)
```

```
End Sub 'InitializeRangeSelectorButtons
```

15. PID Control

Theory

Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID) control algorithm is used to drive the process variable (measurement) to the preset value (setpoint).

Temperature control is the most common form of closed loop control. For example, in a simple temperature control system the temperature of a vat of material is to be maintained at a given setpoint, s(t). The output of the controller sets the valve of the actuator to apply less heat to the vat if the current temperature of the vat is greater than the setpoint and more heat to the vat if the current temperature is less than the setpoint.

The PID algorithm calculates its output by summing three terms. One term is proportional to the error (error is defined as the setpoint minus the current measured value). The second term is proportional to the integral of the error over time, and the third term is proportional to the rate of change (first derivative) of the error. The general form of the PID control equation in analog form is:

Eqn. 1

$$m(t) = K_c * \left(e(t) + K_i \int e(t)dt + K_d \frac{de}{dt} \right)$$

proportional *integral* *derivative*

where:
m(t) = controller output deviation
K_c = proportional gain
K_i = reset multiplier (integral time constant)
K_d = derivative time constant
S(t) = current process setpoint
X(t) = actual process measured variable (temperature, for example)
e(t) = error as a function of time = S(t) - X(t)

The variables K_c, K_i and K_d are adjustable and are used to customize a controller for a given process control application. The K_i constant term is listed in some textbooks as ($1/K_i$). It is simply a matter of the units K_i is specified in. In the K_i form, the units are repeats per minute while in the $1/K_i$ form the units are minutes per repeat (also called reciprocal time). The K_i version presented here is preferred because increasing K_i will increase the integral gain action, just like increasing K_c and K_d will increase the proportional gain and derivative gain action. If $1/K_i$ is used, then decreasing values of K_i will increase the amount of integral gain.

The proportional term of the PID equation contributes an amount to the controller output directly proportional to the current process error. For example, if the setpoint of the process is 100 degrees and the current temperature of the process is 90 degrees, then the current process error is 10 degrees. The proportional term adds to the controller output an amount equal to K_c * 10. The gain term K_c determines how much the control output should change in response to a given error level. If the error is 10, a K_c gain of 0.5 will add 5 to the output of the controller, while a gain of 3 will add 30 to the output of the controller. The larger the value of K_c, the harder the system reacts to differences between the setpoint and the actual temperature. A PID controller can be used as a simple proportional controller by setting the reset rate and derivative time values to 0.0.

Simple proportional control cannot take into account load changes in the process under control. An example of a load for a temperature control loop is the ambient temperature of the room the process is in. The lower the ambient temperature of the room, the larger is the heat loss in the room. It will take more energy to maintain the vat at a given temperature in a cold room than in a warm room. A simple proportional controller cannot account for load changes which take place while the system is under control. Integral control converts the first-order proportional controller into a second order system which is capable of tracking process disturbances. It adds to the controller output a term that corrects for any changes in the load level of the system under control. This integral term is proportional to the sum of all previous process errors in the system. As long as there is a process error, the integral term will add more and more to the controller output until the sum of all previous errors is zero.

The term 'reset rate' is used to describe the integral action of a PID controller. The term derives from the output response of a PI controller (the derivative term set to zero in this case) to a step change in the process error signal. The response consists of an initial jump from zero to the proportional gain setting K_c, followed by a ramp (the integrating action of the integral term) which adds the initial proportional response each integral time T. Therefore the reset rate is defined as the repeats per minute of the initial proportional response.

For example, if the reset rate is 1.0, then for every minute that the error signal is non-zero, the amount of corrective action added to the controller output by the integral term will be equal to the amount added by the proportional term alone. The higher the reset rate, the harder the system will react to non zero error terms.

The addition of the derivative term to the PI controller described above results in the classic three mode PID controller. The derivative action of a PID controller adds to the controller output the value proportional to the slope (rate of change) of the process error. The derivative term "anticipates" the error, providing a harder control response when the error term is going in the wrong direction and a dampening response when the error term is going in the right direction. It reduces overshoot for transient upsets. Proper use of the derivative term can result in much faster process response.

Computer based versions of the PID algorithm are based on sampled data discrete time control theory. The discrete time equivalent of the PID equation is:

Eqn. 2

$$m(i) = K_c * (e(i) + T * K_i \sum_{k=0}^{i} e(k) + (k_d/T) * (e(i)-e(i-1))$$

where
T = sampling interval
e(i) = error at ith sampling interval = S(t) -X(t)
e(i-1) = error at previous sampling interval
m(i) = controller output deviation
K_c = proportional gain
K_i = integral action time
K_d = derivative action time

The proportional term is the same between the Eqn. 1 and Eqn. 2. The integral term of the first equation is replaced by a summation term and the derivative term is replaced by the a first order difference approximation. In actual practice, the first order difference term, $(e_i - e_{i-1})$, is very susceptible to noise problems. In most practical systems this term is replaced by the more stable, higher order equation:

$$\Delta e = (e(i) + 3 * e(i-1) - 3 * e(i-2) - e(i-3))/6$$

A common problem in discrete control systems arises from the summation of the error term for the integral action of the control equation. If a process maintains an error for a long period of time, it is possible that this summation can build to a very large numerical value. Even though the error term returns to zero or moves in the opposite direction, it will take a very long time to reduce the sum below the D/A saturation levels. Practical systems stop the summation of error terms if the current PID output level is outside a user specified range of high and low output values. This limiting of the summation term is commonly referred to as anti-reset-windup.

Implementation

Real-Time Graphics Tools for Windows can maintain an unlimited number of control loops simultaneously; the only limit being memory and CPU power. A PID control object (the terms *PID controller* and *PID object* are used interchangeably in this documentation) is created and configured using the RTPID class. The **RTCalcPID** function calculates the PID algorithm's output. It should be called at equal time intervals. PID algorithm constants can be tuned by adjusting corresponding property values.

A typical problem occurs when a PID object is switched from manual to automatic mode or when a PID constant is changed: the output value can change very quickly, possibly damaging the control equipment. The Quinn-Curtis implementation of the PID algorithm uses the "bumpless transfer" technique to prevent this problem. The algorithm also uses *anti-reset-windup* technique.

PID Control

Class RTPIDControl

RTPIDControl constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal ptype As Integer, _
   ByVal setpnt As Double, _
   ByVal steadstat As Double, _
   ByVal prop As Double, _
   ByVal integ As Double, _
   ByVal deriv As Double, _
   ByVal lowclmp As Double, _
   ByVal highclmp As Double, _
   ByVal rateclmp As Double, _
   ByVal sampleper As Double, _
   ByVal filterconst As Double _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal setpnt As Double, _
   ByVal steadstat As Double, _
   ByVal prop As Double, _
   ByVal integ As Double, _
   ByVal deriv As Double, _
   ByVal sampleper As Double, _
   ByVal filterconst As Double _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTPIDControl(
   int ptype,
   double setpnt,
   double steadstat,
   double prop,
   double integ,
   double deriv,
   double lowclmp,
   double highclmp,
   double rateclmp,
   double sampleper,
   double filterconst
);

public RTPIDControl(
   double setpnt,
   double steadstat,
   double prop,
   double integ,
   double deriv,
   double sampleper,
   double filterconst
);
```

Parameters

setpnt

Specifies the desired value for the process variable.

steadstat

Anticipated steady state value for the output, also known as bias. If you do not know the steady state value, use 0.0 for this parameter. Setting this value properly improves response because it does not have to rely on integral response, starting with a zero initial error summation term, to add enough to the control output to make up for system losses.

prop

Specifies the proportional gain constant. The proportional term adjust the output value proportional to the current error term.

integ

Specifies the integral gain constant. The integral term adjusts the output value by accumulating, or integrated the error term over time.

deriv

Specifies the derivative gain constant. The derivative term looks at the rate of change of the input and adjusts the output based on the rate of change. The derivative function uses the time derivative of the error term.

lowclmp

Specifies the low clamping value for output. If the output of the PID calculation results in a value less than *lowclmp*, the value will be clamped to *lowclmp*

highclmp

Specifies the high clamping value for output. If the output of the PID calculation results in a value higher than *highclmp*, the value will be clamped to *highclmp.*

rateclmp

Clamping limit for the output rate of change, measured in output units per minute. It limits the rate of change of the algorithm output.

sampleper

Sample period of PID updates, in minutes. For example, if the controller's output is calculated two times a second, the value of this parameter is 1 / (2 * 60) = 0.0084 minutes

filterconst

A value in the range 0.0 to 1.0, affecting the filtering of the noisy measurement signal. A value of 0.0 means that no filtering takes place. The filtering effect is maximal when *rFiltConst* is 1.0. The formula for filtering is:

Filtered value = (1.0 - *rFiltConst)* * Measured value + *rFiltConst* * (Previous filtered value)

Selected Public Instance Properties

DerivativeConstant	Set/Get derivative constant value
E1	Set/Get error term t-1.
E2	Set/Get error term t-2.
E3	Set/Get error term t-3.
HighClamp	Set/Get high clamping value for output .
IntegralConstant	Set/Get integral constant value
LastMv	Set/Get previous exponential smoothing constant.
LastPIDValue	Set/Get previous PID output value.
LowClamp	Set/Get low clamping value for output .
MvFilter	Set/Get exponential smoothing constant.
NewError	Set/Get new error value.
OldError	Set/Get previous error value.
ProportionalConstant	Set/Get proportional constant value
RateClamp	Set/Get rate (first derivative of output) clamping value for output .
SamplePeriod	Set/Get time between adjacent updatese.
SetPoint	Set/Get setpoint value.
SteadyState	Set/Get steady state output position.
SumError	Set/Get sum of all previous errors .

Selected Public Instance Methods

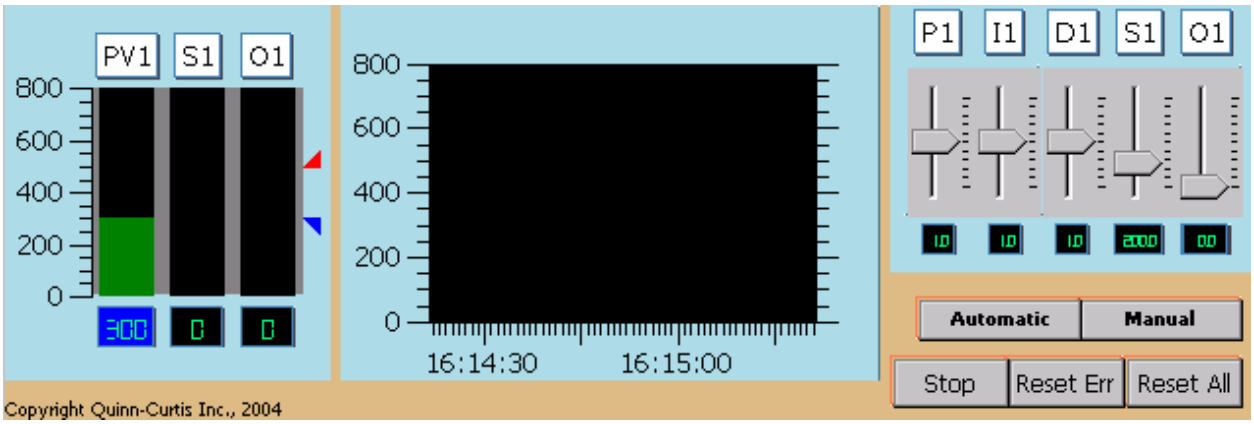
RTCalcPID	This method performs a PID loop calculation.
RTResetErrorTerms	This method resets all of the error terms for the PID calculations.
UpdatePIDIntermediateParameters	This method updates the intermediate values in the PID calculation.

A complete listing of **RTPIDControl** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

The output of the PID equation, calculated using the **RTCalcPID** method, is in the same units as the measured variable. If the measured variable is temperature with a potential range of 0-300, then the output of the PID equation will also be temperature in the same range, though it can have even wider swings than the measured variable. The output of the PID equation is expected to drive some sort of control device, either an actuator, heater, pressure control valve, or dc servomotor, which has completely different units than the control output. It is up to the control engineer to calculate the transfer function, usually a basic mx + b equation, to the control output so that it matches the input range of the control device, whether it be 0-10V, 4-20mA or some other input range. This is completely dependent on the application, and resolving this final stage transfer function is entirely up to a control engineer and not part of this software.

Example for RTPIDControl.

The example below is extracted from the PIDControlTuner example. The code really needs to be studied in the context of the complete program so study that example program instead of the abbreviated code below.



[C#]

```
RTPIDControl []PIDControlLoops= new RTPIDControl[8];
RTProcessVar []ProportionalControl= new RTProcessVar[8];
RTProcessVar []IntegralControl= new RTProcessVar[8];
RTProcessVar []DerivativeControl= new RTProcessVar[8];
RTProcessVar []ControlSetpoints= new RTProcessVar[8];
RTProcessVar []ControlTrackBarOutputs= new RTProcessVar[8];
RTProcessVar []ControlOutputs= new RTProcessVar[8];
```

```
.
.
for (int i=0; i <8; i++)
{
.
.
.
// Note derivative value is saled down by 100x
PIDControlLoops[i] =  new RTPIDControl(ControlSetpoints[i].CurrentValue, pidSteadyState,
                  ProportionalControl[i].CurrentValue, IntegralControl[i].CurrentValue,
                  DerivativeControl[i].CurrentValue/ 100.0,
                  sampleper/60.0, filterConstant);

}

.
.
.
```

```
void  CalculatePIDValues ()
 {
    double rMeas = 0.0;
    double rSetpoint = 0.0;
    double rOutput = 0.0;
    for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++)
    {
        // simulate measurement
        rOutput = ControlOutputs[i].CurrentValue;
        rMeas = ProcessModel (i, rOutput);
        PIDProcessItems[i].SetCurrentValue(rMeas);
        if (autoModeEnable[i])
        {
            rSetpoint = ControlSetpoints[i].CurrentValue;
            rOutput = PIDControlLoops[i].RTCalcPID(rMeas, rSetpoint);
            ControlOutputs[i].SetCurrentValue(rOutput);
        }
    }
    outputControlTrackBar.RTValue =
        ControlOutputs[currentTuningChannel].CurrentValue;
}
```

[VB]

```
' VB Arrays are sized from 0..Upper limit
Private PIDProcessItems(7) As RTProcessVar
Private ProportionalControl(7) As RTProcessVar
Private IntegralControl(7) As RTProcessVar
Private DerivativeControl(7) As RTProcessVar
Private ControlSetpoints(7) As RTProcessVar
Private ControlTrackBarOutputs(7) As RTProcessVar
Private ControlOutputs(7) As RTProcessVar
Private PIDControlLoops(7) As RTPIDControl ()
.
.
.
Dim i As Integer
For i = 0 To numChannels - 1
.
.
.
' Note derivative value is saled down by 100x
   PIDControlLoops(i) = New RTPIDControl(ControlSetpoints(i).CurrentValue, _
```

```
        pidSteadyState, ProportionalControl(i).CurrentValue,  _
         IntegralControl(i).CurrentValue, _
         DerivativeControl(i).CurrentValue / 100.0, sampleper / 60.0, _
         filterConstant)
Next i
.
.
.

Sub CalculatePIDValues()
   Dim rMeas As Double = 0.0
   Dim rSetpoint As Double = 0.0
   Dim rOutput As Double = 0.0
   Dim i As Integer
   For i = 0 To 7
' Not calculating the PID value will prevent integral errors from continuing _
        to be added to error sum
       ' simulate measurement
        rOutput = ControlOutputs(i).CurrentValue
        rMeas = ProcessModel(i, rOutput)
        PIDProcessItems(i).SetCurrentValue(rMeas)
        If autoModeEnable(i) Then
           rSetpoint = ControlSetpoints(i).CurrentValue
           rOutput = PIDControlLoops(i).RTCalcPID(rMeas, rSetpoint)
           ControlOutputs(i).SetCurrentValue(rOutput)
        End If
   Next i
   outputControlTrackBar.RTValue = _
             controlOutputs(currentTuningChannel).CurrentValue
End Sub 'CalculatePIDValues
```

16. Zooming Real-Time Data

ChartZoom

Zooming is the interactive re-scaling of a charts physical coordinate system and the related axes based on limits defined by clicking and dragging a mouse inside the current graph window. A typical use of zooming is in applications where the initial chart displays a large number of data points. The user interacts with the chart, defining smaller and smaller zoom rectangles, zeroing in on the region of interest. The final chart displays axis limits that have a very small range compared to the range of the original, un-zoomed, chart.

The **ChartZoom** class found in the **QCChart2D CF** software is used for zooming of **RTProcessVar** historical data. The features of this class include:

- Automatic recalculation of axis properties for tick mark spacing and axis labels..
- Zooming of time coordinates with smooth transitions between major scale changes: years->months->weeks->days->hours->minutes->seconds.
- Zooming of time coordinates that use a 5-day week and a non-24 hour day.
- Simultaneous zooming of an unlimited number of x- and y-coordinate systems and axes (super zooming).
- The user can recover previous zoom levels using a zoom stack.
- User-definable zoom limits prevent numeric under and overflows

The **QCRTGraph CF** software was designed to allow zooming of real-time data, while the data is being collected. Real-time data values are updated, using the **RTProcessVar** class, asynchronous to the update of the screen. The current graphics display can be historical data from the same **RTProcessVar** object, or it can be based on an entirely different **RTProcessVar** object. It is therefore possible to zoom back to the beginning of an **RTProcessVar** objects historical buffer, without affecting current data collection. At any time the graph returns to a view that includes the most current information.

When you want to zoom or pan backwards into the historical buffer of the **RTProcessVar** object, first you must disable the **RTScrollFrame** updates. Since the **RTScrollFrame** will attempt to always graph the most recent data values, you don't want it interfering with a zoom or a pan which explicitly does NOT want the most recent values displayed. Disable the **RTScrollFrame** updates using the

RTScrollFrame.ChartObjEnable method: set it to ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE. When you want to start scrolling again set it to ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE.

Simple Zooming of a single channel scroll frame

Class ChartZoom

GraphObj
|
+--ChartZoom

The **ChartZoom** class implements .Net delegates for mouse events. It implements and uses the mouse events: **OnMouseMove**, **OnDoubleClick**, **OnMouseDown**, **OnMouseUp** and **OnClick**. The default operation of the **ChartZoom** class starts the zoom operation on the **OnMouseDown** event; it draws the zoom rectangle using the XOR drawing mode during the **OnMouseMove** event; and terminates the zoom operation on the mouse released event. During the mouse released event, the zoom rectangle is converted from device units into the chart physical coordinates and this information is stored and optionally used to rescale the chart scale and all axis objects that reference the chart scale. If four axis objects reference a single chart scale, for example when axes bound a chart on all for sides, all four axes re-scale to match the new chart scale.

In real-time applications, do not update the screen with the **ChartView**.**UpdateDraw** method from another thread, while in the middle of a zoom; i.e. while the XOR zoom rectangle is on the screen. This messes up the XOR drawing of the zoom rectangle, because the **UpdateDraw** method will overwrite, and erase, any previously drawn portion of the zoom rectangle. You must place a check to see if the zoom object is active, before the timer based call of the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method, to make sure that you are not in the middle of a zoom operation.

```
// Extracted from the RTStockDisplay example program.
if (!zoomObj.ZoomObjActive)
    this.UpdateDraw();
```

ChartZoom constructor

The constructor below creates a zoom object for a single chart coordinate system.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal brescale As Boolean _
)
```

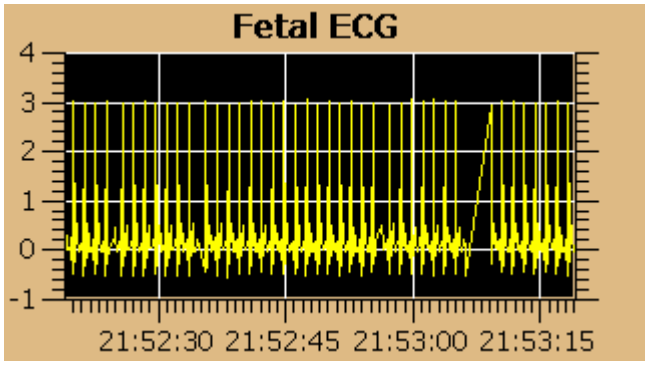
```
[C#]
public ChartZoom(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   bool brescale
);
```

component	A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in.
transform	The **PhysicalCoordinates** object associated with the scale being zoomed.
brescale	True designates that the scale should be re-scaled, once the final zoom rectangle is ascertained.

Enable the zoom object after creation using the **ChartZoom.SetEnable(true)** method.

Retrieve the physical coordinates of the zoom rectangle using the **ChartZoom GetZoomMin** and **GetZoomMax** methods. Restrict zooming in the x- or y-direction using the **SetZoomXEnable** and **SetZoomYEnable** methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the **SetZoomXRoundMode** and **SetZoomYRoundMode** methods. Call the **ChartZoom.PopZoomStack** method at any time and the chart scale reverts to the minimum and maximum values of the previous zoom operation. Repeated calls to the **PopZoomStack** method return the chart scale is to its original condition, after which the **PopZoomStack** method has no effect.

Simple zoom example (Extracted from the FetalMonitor example)
In this example, a new class derives from the **ChartZoom** class and the MousePressed event overridden. The event invokes the **PopZoomStack** method. Otherwise, the default operation of the **ChartZoom** class controls everything else.



[C#]

```
private class ZoomWithStack: ChartZoom
```

```
{
public ZoomWithStack(ChartView component, TimeCoordinates []transforms,  bool
brescale):
    base( component,  transforms, brescale)
    {
    }
    public override void OnMouseDown (MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
    {
        if ((mouseevent.Button & MouseButtons.Right) != 0)
            this.PopZoomStack();
        else
            base.OnMouseDown(mouseevent);
    }
}
.
.
ZoomWithStack zoomObj;
.
.
zoomObj = new ZoomWithStack (chartVu, pTransform1, true);
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetEnable(false);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj);

private void zoomOn_Button_Click(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    timer1.Enabled = false;
    // Change to display of all collected data
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX;
    // Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter;
    // Render graph based on new scale, showing all past data points
    this.UpdateDraw();
    // Now disable scroll frame
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    // Turn on zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(true);
}
```

```
private void zoomRestore_Button_Click(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    RTControlButton button = (RTControlButton) sender;
    // Turn off zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(false);
    // Restore original y-scale values
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjScale.ScaleStartY = -1.0;
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjScale.ScaleStopY = 4.0;
    // Re-establish scroll mode
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX =
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL;
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    // Render graph
    this.UpdateDraw();
    timer1.Enabled = true;
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Private Class ZoomWithStack
        Inherits ChartZoom

    Public Sub New(ByVal component As ChartView, _
            ByVal transform As CartesianCoordinates, ByVal brescale As Boolean)
        MyBase.New(component, transform, brescale)
    End Sub 'New

    Public Overrides Sub OnMouseDown(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
      If (mouseevent.Button And MouseButtons.Right) <> 0 Then
        Me.PopZoomStack()
      Else
        MyBase.OnMouseDown(mouseevent)
     End If
    End Sub 'OnMouseDown
End Class 'ZoomWithStack
.
.
.
Dim zoomObj As New ZoomWithStack(chartVu, pTransform1, True)
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

```
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(True)
' set range limits to 1000 ms, 1 degree
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimitsRatio(New Dimension(1.0, 1.0))
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj)


Private Sub zoomOn_Button_Click(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs)
     Timer1.Enabled = False

     ' Change to display of all collected data
     fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
     ' Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
     fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter
     ' Render graph based on new scale, showing all past data points
     Me.UpdateDraw()
     ' Now disable scroll frame
     fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE

     ' Turn on zooming
     zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
 End Sub 'zoomOn_Button_Click



Private Sub zoomRestore_Button_Click(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs)

    Dim button As RTControlButton = CType(sender, RTControlButton)
    ' Turn off zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(False)
    ' Restore original y-scale values
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjScale.ScaleStartY = -1.0
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjScale.ScaleStopY = 4.0
    ' Re-establish scroll mode
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = _
           ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL
    fetalHeartECGScrollFrame.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
    ' Render graph
     Me.UpdateDraw()
     Timer1.Enabled = True
End Sub 'zoomRestore_Button_Click
```

Super Zooming of multiple physical coordinate systems

The **ChartZoom** class also supports the zooming of multiple physical coordinate systems (*super zooming*). During the mouse released event, the zoom rectangle is converted from device units into the physical coordinates of each scale, and this information is used to re-scale each coordinate system, and the axis objects associated with them.

Use the constructor below in order to super zoom a chart that has multiple coordinate systems and axes.

ChartZoom constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal transforms As PhysicalCoordinates(), _
   ByVal brescale As Boolean _
)
[C#]
public ChartZoom(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates[] transforms,
   bool brescale
);
```

component	A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in.
transforms	An array, size numtransforms, of the **PhysicalCoordinates** objects associated with the zoom operation.
brescale	True designates that the all of the scales should be re-scaled, once the final zoom rectangle is ascertained.

Call the **ChartZoom.SetEnable(true)** method to enable the zoom object.

Restrict zooming in the x- or y-direction using the **SetZoomXEnable** and **SetZoomYEnable** methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the **SetZoomXRoundMode** and **SetZoomYRoundMode** methods. Call the **ChartZoom.PopZoomStack** method at any time and the chart scale reverts to the minimum and maximum values of the previous zoom operation. Repeated calls to the **PopZoomStack** method return the chart scale is to its original condition, after which the **PopZoomStack** method has no effect.

Super zoom example (Adapted from the RTStockDisplay example)
In this example, a new class derives from the **ChartZoom** class and the **MousePressed** event overridden. The event invokes the **PopZoomStack** method. Otherwise, the default operation of the **ChartZoom** class controls everything else.

[C#]

```
private class ZoomWithStack: ChartZoom
{
public ZoomWithStack(ChartView component, TimeCoordinates []transforms,  bool
brescale):
    base( component,  transforms, brescale)
    {
    }
    public override void OnMouseDown (MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
    {
        if ((mouseevent.Button & MouseButtons.Right) != 0)
            this.PopZoomStack();
        else
            base.OnMouseDown(mouseevent);
    }
}
.
.
ZoomWithStack zoomObj;
.
.
TimeCoordinates [] timecoordsarray = {pTransform1, pTransform2};


zoomObj = new ZoomWithStack(chartVu, timecoordsarray, true);
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetEnable(false);
```

```
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj);
.
.
private void zoomOn_Button_Click(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    timer1.Enabled = false;
    // Change to display of all collected data
    scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX;
    // Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
    scrollFrame1.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter;
    // Render graph based on new scale

    // Change to display of all collected data
    scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX;
    // Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
    scrollFrame2.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter;
    // Render graph based on new scale
    // Update first, to display all historical information,
    // then disable to allow for zooming.
    this.UpdateDraw();
    scrollFrame2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    scrollFrame1.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    // Turn on zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(true);
}

private void zoomRestore_Button_Click(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    RTControlButton button = (RTControlButton) sender;
    // Turn off zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(false);
    // Re-establish scroll mode
    scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeX =
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL;
    scrollFrame1.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    // Re-establish scroll mode
    scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeX =
        ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL;
    scrollFrame2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;

    // Render graph
    this.UpdateDraw();
```

```
    timer1.Enabled = true;
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Private Class ZoomWithStack
    Inherits ChartZoom
    Public Sub New(ByVal component As ChartView, _
           ByVal transforms() As CartesianCoordinates, _
           ByVal n As Integer, ByVal brescale As Boolean)
      MyBase.New(component, transforms, brescale)
    End Sub 'New

    Public Overrides Sub OnMouseDown(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
      If (mouseevent.Button And MouseButtons.Right) <> 0 Then
         Me.PopZoomStack()
      Else
         MyBase.OnMouseDown(mouseevent)
      End If
    End Sub 'OnMouseDown
 End Class 'ZoomWithStack
.
.
.
 Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
 Dim Dataset2 As New SimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2)
 Dim Dataset3 As New SimpleDataset("Third", x1, y3)
 Dim Dataset4 As New SimpleDataset("Fourth", x1, y4)
 Dim Dataset5 As New SimpleDataset("Fifth", x1, y5)

 Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
       ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform2 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
       ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform2.AutoScale(Dataset2, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform3 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
       ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform3.AutoScale(Dataset3, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

```
Dim pTransform4 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
       ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform4.AutoScale(Dataset4, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform5 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE,  _
       ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform5.AutoScale(Dataset5, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
.
Dim transformArray As CartesianCoordinates() = {pTransform1, _
           pTransform2, pTransform3, pTransform4, pTransform5}

Dim zoomObj As New ZoomWithStack(chartVu, transformArray, 5, True)
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj)
.
.
.
Private Sub zoomOn_Button_Click(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs)
    Me.Timer1.Enabled = False
    ' Change to display of all collected data
    scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
    ' Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
    scrollFrame1.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter
    ' Render graph based on new scale
    ' Change to display of all collected data
    scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
    ' Look at updatecounter number of points, which is all of them
    scrollFrame2.MaxDisplayHistory = updatecounter

    ' Update first, to display all historical information, then disable to allow
for zooming.
    Me.UpdateDraw()

    scrollFrame2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE
    scrollFrame1.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE
```

```
        ' Turn on zooming
    zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
 End Sub 'zoomOn_Button_Click


 Private Sub zoomRestore_Button_Click(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs)

   Dim button As RTControlButton = CType(sender, RTControlButton)
   ' Turn off zooming
   zoomObj.SetEnable(False)
   ' Re-establish scroll mode
   scrollFrame1.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL
   scrollFrame1.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
   ' Re-establish scroll mode
   scrollFrame2.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_FIXEDEXTENT_MOVINGSTART_AUTOSCROLL
   scrollFrame2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
   ' Render graph
   Me.UpdateDraw()
   Me.Timer1.Enabled = True
End Sub 'zoomRestore_Button_Click
```

Limiting the Zoom Range

A zoom window needs to have zoom limits placed on the minimum allowable zoom range for the x- and y-coordinates. Unrestricted or infinite zooming can result in numeric under and overflows. The default minimum allowable range resulting from a zoom operation is 1/1000 of the original coordinate range. Change this value using the **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimitsRatio** method. The minimum allowable range for this value is approximately 1.0e-9. Another way to set the minimum allowable range is to specify explicit values for the x- and y-range using the **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimits** method. Specify the minimum allowable zoom range for a time axis in milliseconds, for example **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimits(new Dimension(1000, 0.01))** sets the minimum zoom range for the time axis to 1 second and for the y-axis to 0.01. The utility method **ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue** is useful for calculating the milliseconds for any time base and any number of units. The code below sets a minimum zoom range of 45 minutes.

[C#]

```
double minZoomTimeRange  =
         ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MINUTE, 45);
```

```
double minZoomYRange = 0.01;
Dimension zoomLimits = new Dimension(minZoomTimeRange, minZoomYRange);
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimits(zoomLimits);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim minZoomTimeRange As  double = _
         ChartObj.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MINUTE, 45)
Dim minZoomYRange As Double = 0.01
Dim zoomLimits As Dimension = New Dimension(minZoomTimeRange, minZoomYRange)
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimits(zoomLimits)
```

17. Miscellaneous Shape Drawing

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RT3DFrame
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTRoundedRectangle2D
Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTGenShape

Often the look and feel of a real-time display is greatly enhanced with the addition of a few simple circular and rectangular drawing shapes. All of the example programs use these shapes, either directly, or indirectly as the 3D border element of the **RTPanelMeter** class. The chapter discusses how to explicitly add these objects to your program

3D Borders and Background Frames

Class RT3DFrame

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RT3DFrame

This class is used to draw 3D borders and provide the background for many of the other graph objects, most noticeably the **RTPanelMeter** classes. It can also be used directly in your program to provide 3D frames the visually group objects together in a faceplate format.

RT3DFrame constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal rect As Rectangle2D, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal postype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public RT3DFrame(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Rectangle2D rect,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int postype
);
```

Parameters

transform

Places the **RT3DFrame** object in the coordinate system defined by transform.

rect

Specifies the position and size of the frame.

attrib

Specifies the attributes (line and fill color) for the frame.

postype

Specifies the positioning coordinate system.

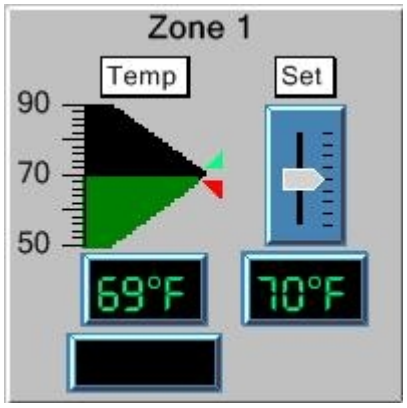
Selected Public Instance Properties

BoundingBox (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Returns the bounding box for the chart object. Not all chart objects have bounding boxes. Be sure and check for null.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
FrameRect	Set/Get the **Rectangle2D** object used to define the position and size of the 3D frame.
LightMode	Set/Get the apparent direction of the light source used to highlight the 3D frame. Use one of the direction constants. LIGHT_UPPER_LEFT, LIGHT_UPPER_RIGHT, LIGHT_LOWER_LEFT, LIGHT_LOWER_RIGHT , LIGHT_STRAIGHT_ON , LIGHT_NONE, OUTSET_3D_LOOK, INSET_3D_LOOK.
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line style for the chart object.
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
PositionType (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Get/Sets the current position type.

A complete listing of **RT3DFrame** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for drawing RT3DFrame objects

The example below, extracted from the HomeAutomation example, file ThermostatControl1, draws an **RT3DFrame** object the size of the entire control area. Since each separate control in the example has a similar **RT3DFrame** background, it provides a visual grouping of the objects in each control.



[C#]

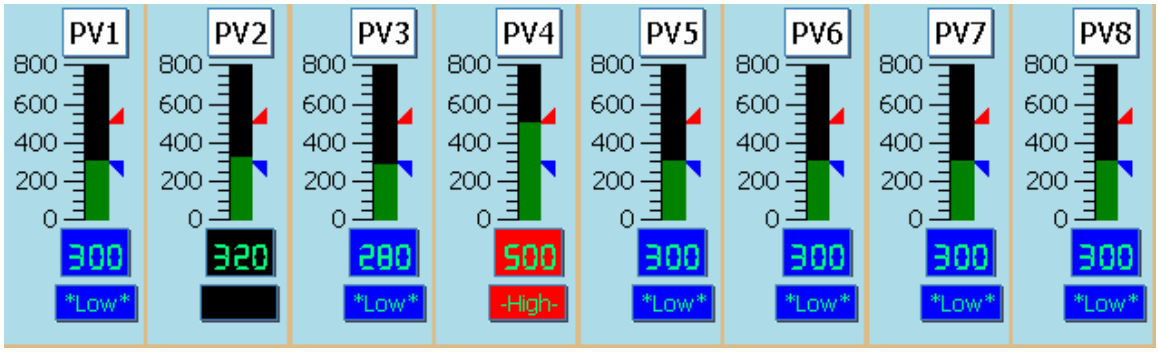
```
private void InitializeBackgroundPanel()
{
    ChartView chartVu = this;
    Font theFont = font10Bold;
    Rectangle2D normrect = new Rectangle2D(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =    new CartesianCoordinates();
    RT3DFrame frame3d =
        new RT3DFrame(pTransform1, normrect, facePlateAttrib,
                ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d);
}
```

[VB]

```
 Private Sub InitializeBackgroundPanel()
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
     Dim theFont As Font = font10Bold
```

```
    Dim normrect As New Rectangle2D(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0)
    Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates()
    Dim frame3d As New RT3DFrame(pTransform1, normrect, facePlateAttrib, _
          ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d)
  End Sub 'InitializeBackgroundPanel
```

The example below, extracted from the PIDControlTuner example, file PIDControlTunerControl1, method **InitializeTopBargraphs**, draws an **RT3DFrame** object as a backdrop for each of the barographs.



[C#]

```
for (int i=0; i < PIDProcessItems.Length; i++)
{
    row = i/8;
    col = i % 8;
    x1 = xoffset + col * faceplatewidthspacing;
    y1 = yoffset + row * faceplateheightspacing;
    x2 = x1+faceplatewidth;
    y2 = y1+faceplateheight;

    double mindisplayvalue = PIDProcessItems[i].DefaultMinimumDisplayValue;
    double maxdisplayvalue = PIDProcessItems[i].DefaultMaximumDisplayValue;
    pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, mindisplayvalue,
        1.0, maxdisplayvalue);
    Rectangle2D normrect = new Rectangle2D(x1, y1,
            faceplatewidth, faceplateheight);
    RT3DFrame frame3d = new RT3DFrame(pTransform1, normrect,
        rectattrib, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
    chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d);
.
```

```
.
.
}
```

[VB]

```
Dim i As Integer
For i = 0 To PIDProcessItems.Length - 1
   row = i \ 8
   col = i Mod 8
   x1 = xoffset + col * faceplatewidthspacing
   y1 = yoffset + row * faceplateheightspacing
   x2 = x1 + faceplatewidth
   y2 = y1 + faceplateheight
   Dim mindisplayvalue As Double = PIDProcessItems(i).DefaultMinimumDisplayValue
   Dim maxdisplayvalue As Double = PIDProcessItems(i).DefaultMaximumDisplayValue
   pTransform1 = New CartesianCoordinates(0.0, mindisplayvalue, 1.0, _
         maxdisplayvalue)
   Dim normrect As New Rectangle2D(x1, y1, faceplatewidth, faceplateheight)
   Dim frame3d As New RT3DFrame(pTransform1, normrect, rectattrib, _
         ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
   chartVu.AddChartObject(frame3d)
.
.
.
Next i
```

Rounded Rectangles

Class RTRoundedRectangle2D

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTRoundedRectangle2D

Rounded rectangles are just that, rectangles that have rounded corners.

RTRoundedRectangle2D constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal r As Rectangle2D, _
   ByVal corner As Double, _
   ByVal postype As Integer _
)
```

```
[C#]
public RTRoundedRectangle2D(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Rectangle2D r,
   double corner,
   int postype
);
```

Parameters

transform

Places the **RTRoundedRectangle2D** object in the coordinate system defined by transform.

r

The size and position of the rectangle.

corner

The radius of the rectangle corners.

postype

The coordinate system the rectangle is defined in. Use one of the coordinate system constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS.

Selected Public Instance Properties

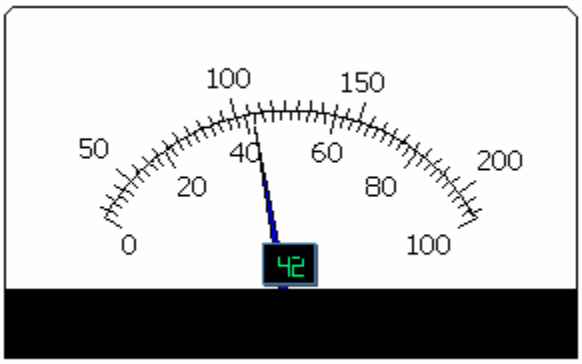
CornerRadius	Get/Set the corner radius of the rounded rectangle.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
Height	Get/Set the height of the rectangle.
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line style for the chart object.
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. . (Only line widths of 1 are supported by .Net CF)
PositionType (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Get/Sets the current position type.
Width	Get/Set the width of the rectangle.
X	Get/Set the x-value of the rectangle.
Y	Get/Set the y-value of the rectangle.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If

	z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTRoundedRectangle2D** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for drawing RTRoundedRectangle2D objects

The example below, extracted from the RTGraphNetDemo example, file NeedleMeterControl1, method **InitializeMeter2**., draws a large rectangle with rounded corners as the frame of the meter, and a smaller, filled rectangle at the bottom.



[C#]

```
RTRoundedRectangle2D rr =
    new RTRoundedRectangle2D(meterframe1, 0.25, 0.01, 0.45, 0.46, 0.01,
        ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
ChartAttribute backattrib =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Black,1,DashStyle.Solid,Color.White);
rr.SetChartObjAttributes(backattrib);
rr.SetChartObjClipping(ChartObj.NO_CLIPPING);
chartVu.AddChartObject(rr);

RTRoundedRectangle2D rrr =
    new RTRoundedRectangle2D(meterframe1, 0.25, 0.38, 0.45, 0.09, 0.0,
         ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
ChartAttribute backattrib2 =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Black,1,DashStyle.Solid,Color.Black);
rrr.SetChartObjAttributes(backattrib2);
rrr.ZOrder = 60; // make it be drawn after needle, hiding needle pivot point
rrr.SetChartObjClipping(ChartObj.NO_CLIPPING);
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(rrr);
```

[VB]

```
Dim rr As New RTRoundedRectangle2D(meterframe1, 0.25, 0.01, 0.45, 0.46, 0.01,  _
    ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
Dim backattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
rr.SetChartObjAttributes(backattrib)
rr.SetChartObjClipping(ChartObj.NO_CLIPPING)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rr)

Dim rrr As New RTRoundedRectangle2D(meterframe1, 0.25, 0.38, 0.45, 0.09, 0.0, _
    ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
Dim backattrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, _
    Color.Black)
rrr.SetChartObjAttributes(backattrib2)
rrr.ZOrder = 60
rrr.SetChartObjClipping(ChartObj.NO_CLIPPING)
chartVu.AddChartObject(rrr)
```

General Shapes

Class RTGenShape

Com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf.GraphObj
RTGenShape

This class is used to draw filled and unfilled rectangles, rectangles with rounded corners, general ellipses and aspect ratio corrected circles. These shapes can be used by the programmer to add visual enhancements to graphs.

RTGenShape constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal rect As Rectangle2D, _
   ByVal corner As Double, _
   ByVal shape As Integer, _
   ByVal postype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public RTGenShape(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Rectangle2D rect,
   double corner,
   int shape,
   int postype
);
```

Parameters

transform

The coordinate system for the new **RTGenShape** object.

rect

The source rectangle.

corner

The corner radius of the rounded rectangle.

shape

The shape of the **RTGenShape** object. Use one of the generalized shape constants: RT_SHAPE_RECTANGLE, RT_SHAPE_ROUNDEDRECTANGLE, RT_SHAPE_ELLIPSE.

postype

Specifies what coordinate system the coordinates reference. Use one of the position type constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, POLAR_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS.

Selected Public Instance Properties

AspectRatioCorrection	Get/Set the aspect ratio correction mode for the RT_SHAPE_ELLIPSE shape: NO_ASPECT_RATIO_CORRECTION, FIXED_X_ASPECT_RATIO_CORRECTION, FIXED_Y_ASPECT_RATIO_CORRECTION.
ChartObjAttributes (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the attributes for a chart object using a **ChartAttribute** object.
CornerRadius	Get/Set the corner radius of the rounded rectangle.
FillColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
GenShape	Get/Set the shape control property genShape. Use one of the generalized shape constants: RT_SHAPE_RECTANGLE, RT_SHAPE_ROUNDEDRECTANGLE, RT_SHAPE_ELLIPSE.
Height	Get/Set the height of the shape rectangle.
LineColor (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line color for the chart object.
LineStyle (inherited from	Sets the line style for the chart object.

GraphObj)	
LineWidth (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the line width for the chart object. Restricted to a value of 1 for .Net CF.
PositionType (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Get/Sets the current position type.
ShapeRect	Get/Set the rectangle control the size and position of the object.
Width	Get/Set the width of the rectangle.
X	Get/Set the x-value of the shape rectangle.
Y	Get/Set the y-value of the shape rectangle.
ZOrder (inherited from **GraphObj**)	Sets the z-order of the object in the chart. Every object has a z-order value. Each z-order value does NOT have to be unique. If z-order sorting is turned on in the **ChartView** object, objects are sorted by z-order before they are drawn.

A complete listing of **RTGenShape** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCFCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

Example for drawing RTGenShape objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoInstrumentPanel example, file AutoInstrumentPanelControl1, method **InitializeClock**, draws a circle around the borders of the clock.

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Gray, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
Rectangle2D shaperect = new Rectangle2D(0.78, 0.025, 0.19, 0.25);
RTGenShape genshape =
       new RTGenShape(meterframe, shaperect,0.0,
           ChartObj.RT_SHAPE_ELLIPSE, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
genshape.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(genshape);.
```

[VB]

```
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Gray, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
Dim shaperect As New Rectangle2D(0.8, 0.025, 0.19, 0.25)
Dim genshape As New RTGenShape(meterframe, shaperect, 0.0, _
      ChartObj.RT_SHAPE_ELLIPSE, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
genshape.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(genshape)
```

18. Process Variable Viewer

RTProcessVarViewer

The **RTProcessVarViewer** class extends the QCChart2D **DatasetViewer** class so that it can display the historical datasets stored in the **RTProcessVar** objects. The **RTProcessVarViewer** can be updated in real-time, and synchronized to the chart, so that scrolling of the **RTProcessVarViewer** can scroll the chart.

Class RTProcessVarViewer

ChartView
|
+--DatasetViewer
|
+--RTProcessVarViewer

The **RTProcessVarViewer** is a **ChartView** derived object and as such is an independent **UserControl** object. Use it to view one or more **RTProcessVar** objects in a real-time display. Since it is usually not possible or practical to display the entire dataset, the **RTProcessVarViewer** windows a rectangular section of the dataset for display. Scroll bars are used to scroll the rows and columns of the dataset. The **RTProcessVarViewer** constructor defines the size, position, source matrix, the number of rows and columns of the **RTProcessVarViewer** grid, and the starting position of the **RTProcessVarViewer** scrollbar.

RTProcessVarViewer constructor

```
Public Sub New ( _
    chartvu As ChartView, _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    posrect As Rectangle2D, _
    pv As RTProcessVar, _
    rows As Integer, _
    cols As Integer, _
    start As Integer _
```

```
)

C#
public RTProcessVarViewer(
    ChartView chartvu,
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Rectangle2D posrect,
    RTProcessVar pv,
    int rows,
    int cols,
    int start
)
```

chartvu	The **ChartView** object the **DatasetViewer** is placed in.
transform	The coordinate system the **DatasetViewer** is placed in.
posrect	A positioning rectangle (using normalized chart coordinates) for the dataset viewer, use null if not used.
pv	The initial process variable.
rows	Number of rows to display
cols	Number of columns to display.
start	Starting column of the dataset viewer.

Set unique fonts for the column headers, row headers and grid cells using the ColumnHeaderFont, RowHearderFont and GridCellFont properties.

Turn on the edit feature of the grid cells using the EnableEdit property. Turn on the striped background color of the grid cells using the UseStripedGridBackground property.

Foreground and background attributes of the column headers, row headers and grid cells can be set using the ColumnHeaderAttribute, RowHeaderAttribute, GridAttribute, and AltGridAttribute properties.

You can add multiple **RTProcessVar** objects toa **RTProcessVarViewer** using the RTProcessVarViewer.AddProcessVar method. When adding additional process variables, it only adds the y-values of the dataset. It is assumed the x-values of the datasets are the same; otherwise, the columns would lose synchronization.

The row header string for the first grid row, the x-values, is picked up from the first dataset's XString property. If that is null, "X-Values" is displayed for numeric x-values, and "Time" for time-based x-values. Subsequent row header strings, for the y-values, are picked up from the main title string of each associated dataset. In the case of group

datasets with multiple y-values for each x-value, row header strings are picked up from the datasets GroupStrings property, which stores one string for each group in the dataset.

You can change the default orientation of the **RTProcessVarViewer** by calling a version of the **RTProcessVarViewer** constructor that has an orientation property as the last parameter. See the ProcessVarTables.VerticalScrollApplicationUserControl1.cs for an example.

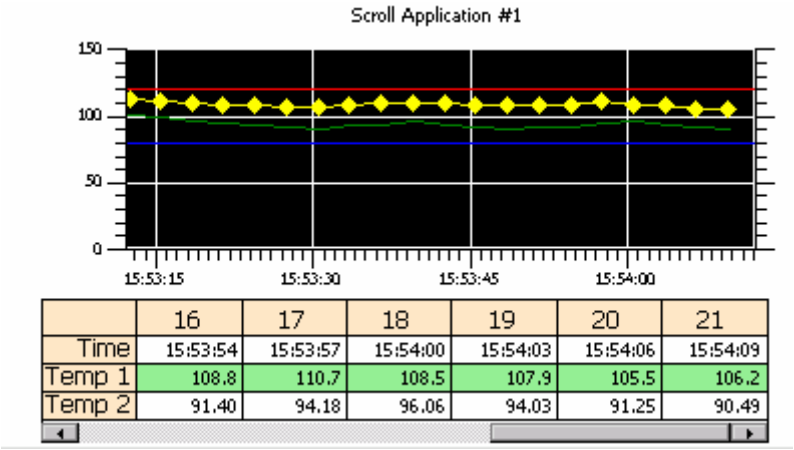
Selected Public Instance Properties

AltGridAttribute	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
AutoRedrawTable	Set to true and the table will redraw using the current data associated with the update of th RTProcessVar.
ColumnHeaderAttribute	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
ColumnHeaderFont	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
ColumnHeads	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
DataArray	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
Dock	Gets or sets which control borders are docked to its parent control and determines how a control is resized with its parent. (Inherited from Control.)
DoubleBufferEnable	(Inherited from ChartView.)
DrawEnable	(Inherited from ChartView.)
GridAttribute	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
GridCellFont	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HorizontalGroupPlot	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
HorizontalScroll	Gets the characteristics associated with the horizontal scroll bar. (Inherited from ScrollableControl.)
HScroll	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the horizontal scroll bar is visible. (Inherited from ScrollableControl.)
HScrollBar1	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
Left	Gets or sets the distance, in pixels, between the left edge of the control and the left edge of its container's client area. (Inherited from Control.)
Location	Gets or sets the coordinates of the upper-left corner of the control relative to the upper-left corner of its container.

	(Inherited from Control.)
NumCols	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
NumericFormat	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
NumRows	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
ParentChartView	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
ParentTransform	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
Right	Gets the distance, in pixels, between the right edge of the control and the left edge of its container's client area. (Inherited from Control.)
RowHeaderAttribute	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
RowHeaderFont	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
RowHeads	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
SmoothingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
SourceDataset	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
StartCol	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
StartRow	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
SyncChart	(Inherited from DatasetViewer.)
TableGreenBarFlag	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
TableStartPosX	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
TableStartPosY	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
TableStopPosX	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
TableStopPosY	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
TextRenderingHint	(Inherited from ChartView.)
Title	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
Top	Gets or sets the distance, in pixels, between the top edge of the control and the top edge of its container's client area. (Inherited from Control.)
TransformList	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
UseStripedGridBackground	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
VerticalScroll	Gets the characteristics associated with the vertical scroll bar. (Inherited from ScrollableControl.)
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)

VScroll	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the vertical scroll bar is visible. (Inherited from ScrollableControl.)
VScrollBar1	(Inherited from DataGridBase.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)

Simple RTProcessVarViewer example (extracted from the example program ProcessVarDataTables.ScrollApplicationUserControl1.cs)



*A **RTProcessVarViewer** displaying two **RTProcessVar** objects*

[C#]

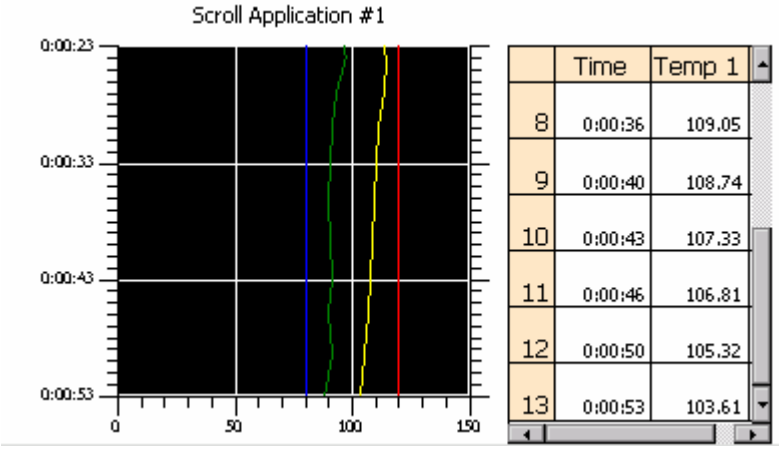
```
Rectangle2D posrect = new Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.6 0.87, 0.29);

int rows = 3, columns = 6, startindex = 0;

// Because the constructor is called, the RTProcessVarViewer is

// automatically added to  the chartVu.Controls object list.

rtProcessVarViewer1 = new RTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
currentTemperature1, rows, columns, startindex);


// If the default constructor is used, the RTProcessVarViewer object must be
explicitly added to the ChartView.Controls object

//  rtProcessVarViewer1 = new RTProcessVarViewer();

//  rtProcessVarViewer1.InitRTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
currentTemperature1, rows, columns, startindex);

//            this.Controls.Add(rtProcessVarViewer1);


rtProcessVarViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = true;

rtProcessVarViewer1.GridCellFont = font10;

rtProcessVarViewer1.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2);
```

```
// Set custom decimal precision for each row
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(0, 0);
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(1, 1);
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(2, 2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim posrect As Rectangle2D = New Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.6 0.87, 0.29)
Dim rows As Integer = 3
Dim columns As Integer = 6
Dim startindex As Integer = 0
' Because the constructor is called, the RTProcessVarViewer is automatically added
to  the chartVu.Controls object list.
rtProcessVarViewer1 = New RTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
currentTemperature1, rows, columns, startindex)


' If the default constructor is used, the RTProcessVarViewer object must be
'  explicitly added to the ChartView.Controls object
'  rtProcessVarViewer1 = new RTProcessVarViewer()
'  rtProcessVarViewer1.InitRTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
currentTemperature1, rows, columns, startindex)
'  this.Controls.Add(rtProcessVarViewer1)


rtProcessVarViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = True
rtProcessVarViewer1.GridCellFont = font10


rtProcessVarViewer1.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2)
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(0, 0)
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(1, 1)
rtProcessVarViewer1.SetFormatDecimalPos(2, 2)
```

Vertical Orientation DatasetViewer example (extracted from the example program ProcessVarDataTables.ElapsedTimeVerticalScrolling.)



[C#]

```
// datasetViewer1 was created, sized, and added to the ChartView in
SimpleDatasetViewerChart.Designer.cs file

rtProcessVarViewer1.InitRTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, null,
currentTemperature1, 6, 2, 0, ChartObj.VERT_DIR);

rtProcessVarViewer1.GridCellFont = font10;

rtProcessVarViewer1.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2);
```

[VB]

```
 ' datasetViewer1 was created, sized, and added to the ChartView in
SimpleDatasetViewerChart.Designer.cs file

 rtProcessVarViewer1.InitRTProcessVarViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, Nothing,
currentTemperature1, 6, 2, 0, ChartObj.VERT_DIR)

 rtProcessVarViewer1.GridCellFont = font10

 RtProcessVarViewer1.AddProcessVar(currentTemperature2)
```

19. Auto Indicator Classes

RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator
RTAutoMeterIndicator
RTAutoClockIndicator
RTAutoDialIndicator
RTAutoScrollGraph
RTAutoPanelMeterIndicator

The auto-indicator classes are designed to simplify the creation of real-time displays. Each class encapsulates a collection of objects need to build a complete real-time indicator object: bar indicators, meters, dials, clocks and scrolling graphs. Since each indicator class is considered a **UserControl** by .Net, it can be added to the Visual Studio Toolbox, where it can be selected and dropped on a form.

There are seven self containted auto-indicator classes: single channel bar indicator, multi-channel bar indicator, meters, dials, clocks, panel meter, and scrolling graphs. The **ChartView** class is the base class for the auto-indicator classes. Each indicator is placed in its own **ChartView** derived window, along with all other objects typically associated the indicator (axes, labels, process variables, alarms, titles, etc.). Since **ChartView** is derived from **UserControl**, you can place as many auto-indicator classes on a form as you want. You can instantiate the auto-indicator classes in your program, or you can add them to the Visual Studio component tool box, where they will be accessible to drop onto a Windows Form object. Add the auto-indicator classes to the toolbox by displaying a form in design mode, right clicking in the Toolbox window and selecting **Choose Items** from the drop down menu. Select Browse the browse to the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder and select the QCRTGraphNet.DLL file. Once the DLL is selected you should see all of the auto-indicator components listed in the Toolbox.

Single Channel Bar Indicator

Class RTAutoBarIndicator

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ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoBarIndicator

The **RTAutoBarIndicator** combines a **RTBarIndicator** object with other objects needed to create a self-contained bargraph display. These other objects include a **RTProcessVar** variable, axes, axis labels, title string, units string, alarm indicators, and panel meters used in the display of the bar graphs numeric value, tag name, and alarm status. Since it contains a single **RTProcessVar** object, it displays a single channel of data.

RTAutoBarIndicator constructors
Since the **RTAutoBarIndicator** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()

[C#]
public RTAutoBarIndicator ();
```

A couple of methods are used to initialize the bar graph after instantiation, InitBarIndicator and InitStrings.

The InitBarIndicator method initialized the orientation of the bars, the format of the bar graph, and the bar color.

Method InitBarIndicator

VB

```
Public Sub InitBarIndicator ( _
    orientation As Integer, _
    bargraphformat As Integer, _
    colr As Color,
)
```

C#

```
public void InitBarIndicator(
    int orientation,
    int bargraphformat,
    Color colr
)
```

Parameters

orientation
Specifies the orientation of the chart (ChartObj.VERT_DIR or ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR

bargraphformat
Specifies the bar graph format (0..3).

colr
The color of the bar.

The InitStrings method initialized the tag and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB
Public Sub InitStrings ( _
    title As String, _
    units As String _
)
```

```
C#
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the bar indicator with new data..

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    value As Double, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

```
C#
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double value,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters
value

Update the indicator channel with this value.

updatedraw

True and the indicator is immediately updated.

Selected Public Instance Properties

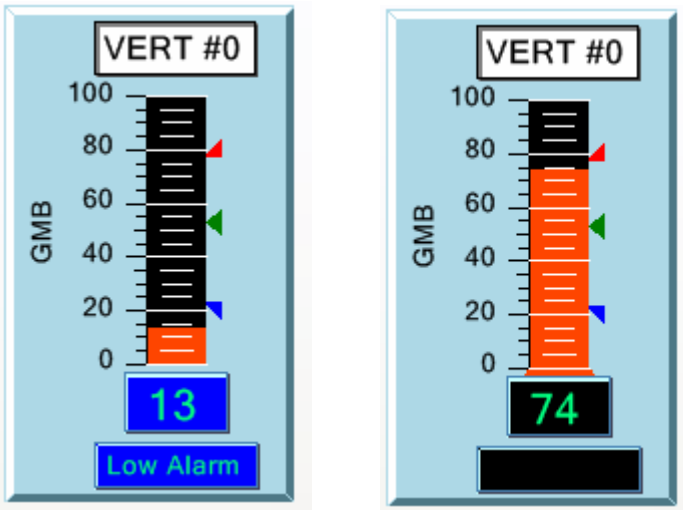
Name	Description
AlarmIndicator	Get a reference to the RTAlarmIndicator object
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
BarAttributes	Sets the line color for the chart object.
BarDataValue	Get the numeric label template object used to place numeric values on the bars.
BarEndBulb	Set/Get to true for a bar end bulb.
BarFillColor	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
BarLineWidth	Sets the line width for the chart object.
BarOrientation	Get/Set the orientation of the chart.
BarPlot	Get a reference to the RTBarIndicator object.
BarWidth	Set/Get the bar width.
BarWidthPixels	Set/Get to the pixel width of the bar in the bar plot.
CoordinateSystem	Get the coordinate system object for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
InteriorAxis	Set/Get to true and an interior axis is drawn
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)

MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotAttrib	Get an RTProcessVar object in the . (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
RenderingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
SetpointAlarm	Get the most recent setpoint RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
TagString	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
XAxis	Get the x-axis object.
XAxis2	Get the second x-axis object.
XAxisLab	Get the x-axis labels object.
XAxisTitle	Get the x-axis title object.
XGrid	Get the x-axis grid object.

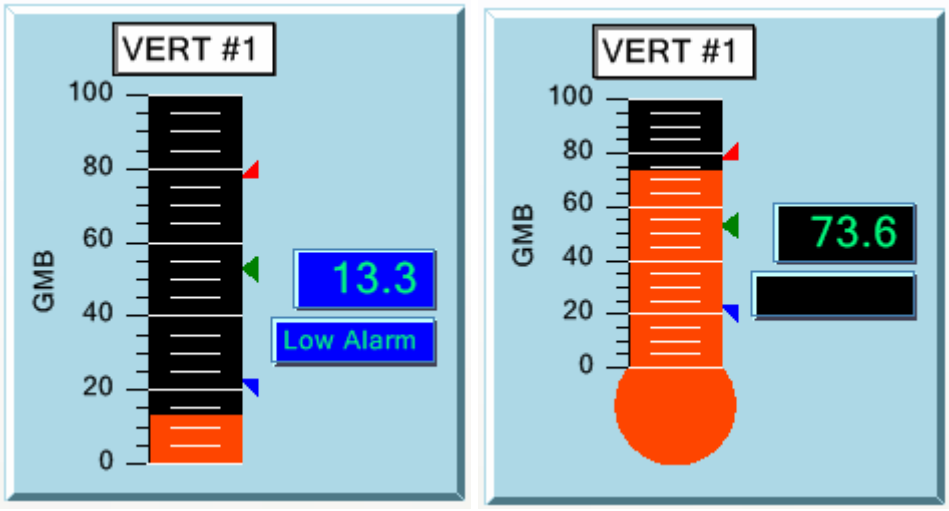
YAxis	Get the y-axis object.
YAxis2	Get the second y-axis object.
YAxisLab	Get the y-axis labels object. Accessible only after BuildGrap
YAxisTitle	Get the y-axis title object.
YGrid	Get the y-axis grid object.

A complete listing of **RTAutoBarIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

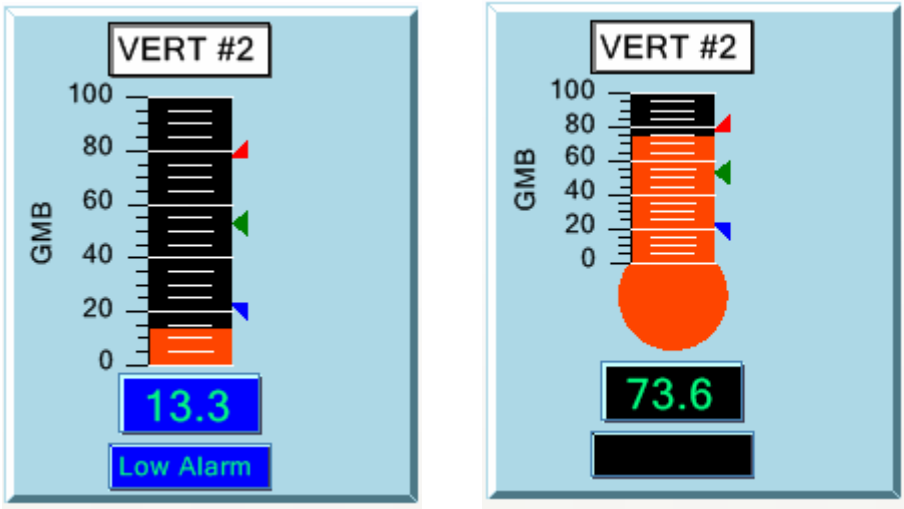
There are 8 different bar graph formats, four horizontal and four vertical. Use the GraphFormat property (0..3) to set the format. Below you will find a brief description of the differences between the formats.



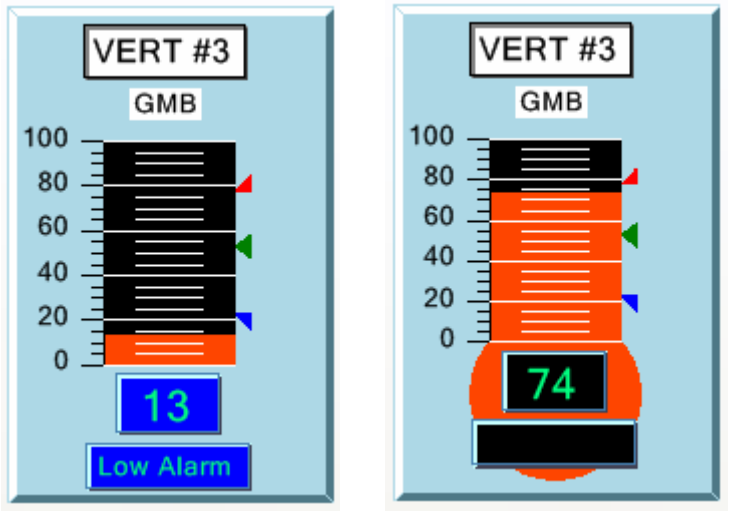
Panel meters above and below the bar for the tag name, numeric value, and alarm status. The scale units displayed vertically on the left. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the numeric and alarm status panel meters will sit on top of the bar end bulb.



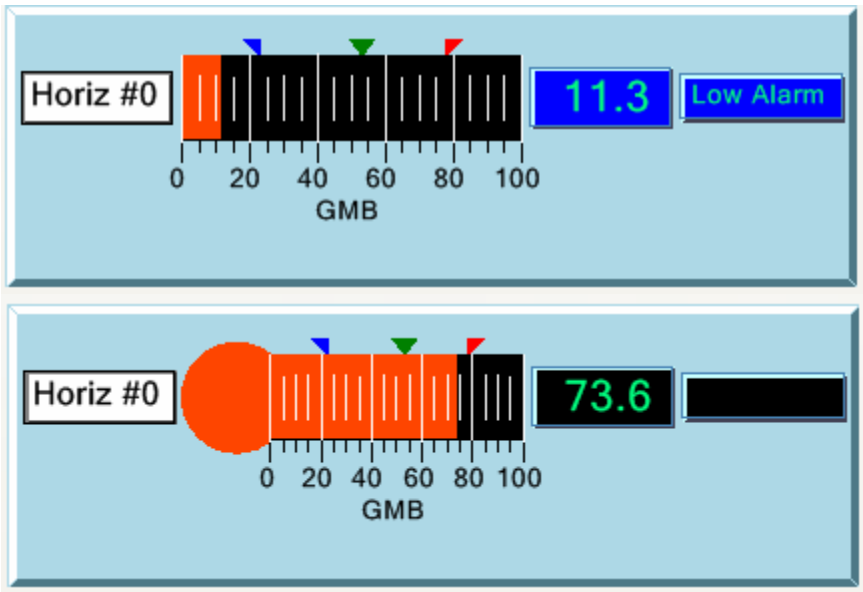
The tag panel meter on top, with the numeric value, and alarm status panel meters to the right. The scale units displayed vertically on the left. Turn on the BarEndBulb property and the bar indicator will shrink vertically in order fit the bulb in the indicator window.



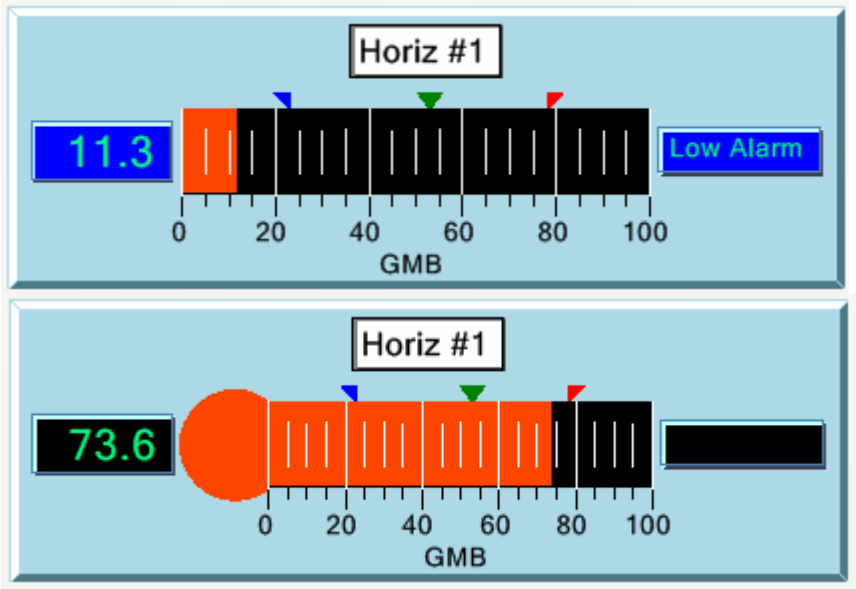
Similar to GraphFormat = 0, except that if the BarEndBulb property is turned on, the numeric and alarm status panel meters do not sit on top of the bar.



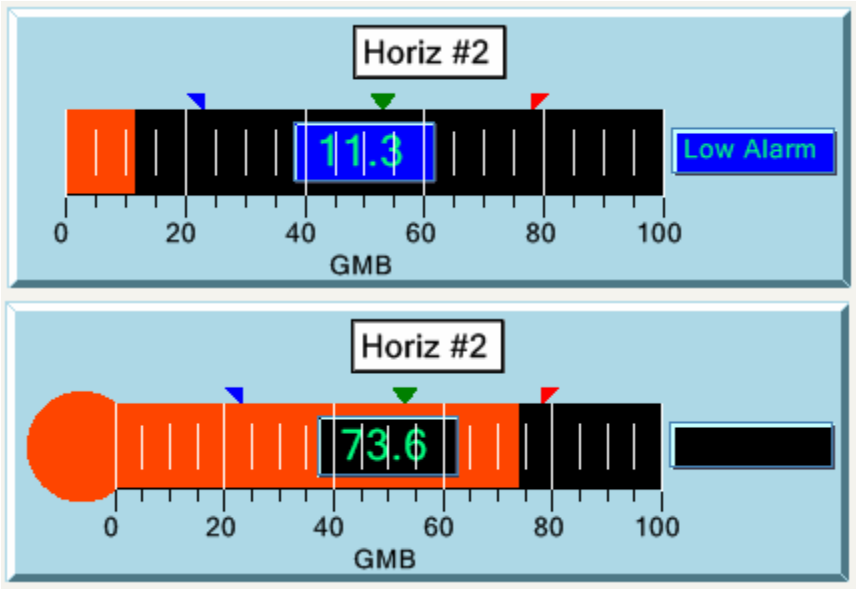
Panel meters above and below the bar for the tag name, numeric value, and alarm status. The scale units are displayed under the tag name. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the numeric and alarm status panel meters will sit on top of the bar end bulb. The default width of this format is wider than GraphFormat = 0.



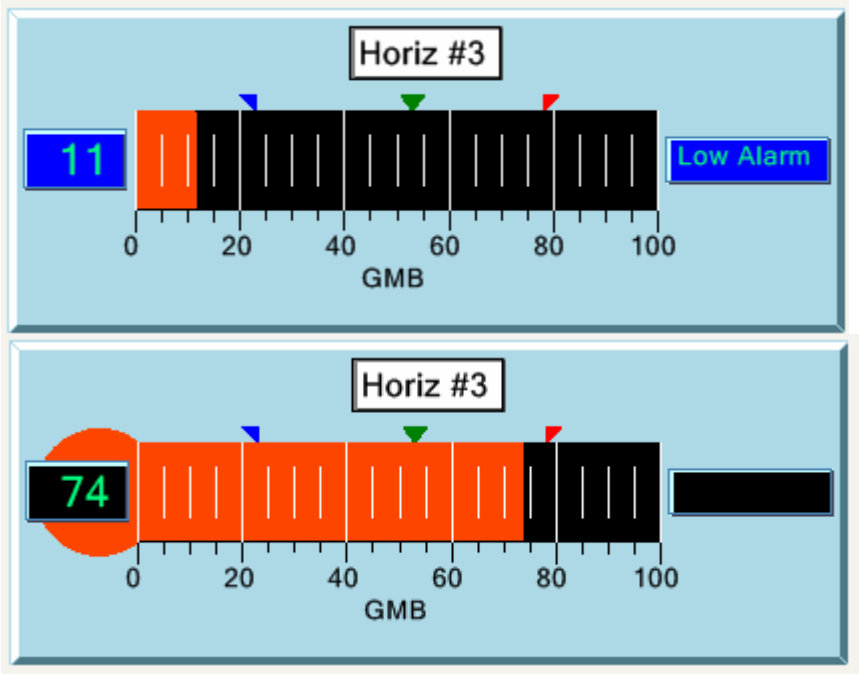
Panel meters to the left and right of the bar for the tag name, numeric value, and alarm status. The scale units displays horizontally under the scale. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the bar indicator area shrinks horizontally in order to fit in the bulb without overlap.



Panel meters to the left and right of the bar for the numeric value and and alarm status. A panel meter at the top for the tag name. The scale units displays horizontally under the scale. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the bar indicator area shrinks horizontally in order to fit in the bulb without overlap.



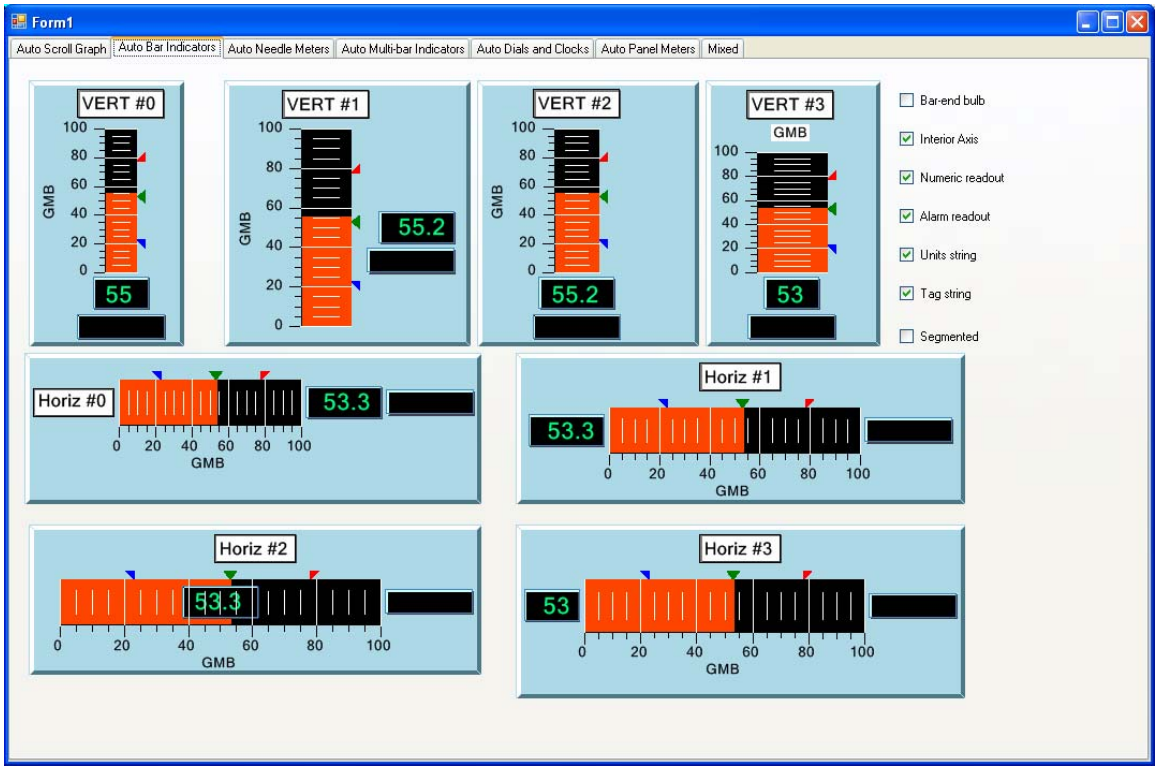
Panel meter right of the bar for the alarm status, with the numeric panel meter placed in the middle of the bar indicator area. A panel meter at the top for the tag name. The scale units displays horizontally under the scale. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the bar indicator area shrinks horizontally in order to fit in the.



Simliar to GraphFormat = 1, except for the treatment of the bar end bulb. Panel meters to the left and right of the bar for the numeric value and and alarm status. A panel meter at the top for the tag name. The scale units displays horizontally under the scale. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the numeric value sits on top of the bulb.

Example for initializing RTAutoBarIndicator objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos.AutoBarIndicators1 example, draws four vertical and four horizontal bargraphs.



Below you will find the code used to initialize the first of the bargraphs above, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos.AutoBarIndicators example program

[C#]

```
void InitializeBargraphs(bool barbulb, bool interioraxis,
    bool numeric, bool alarm, bool units, bool title, bool segmented)
{
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.InitBargraph(ChartObj.VERT_DIR, 0, Color.OrangeRed);
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.InitStrings("VERT #0", "GMB");
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 23;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 78;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 53;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.MinIndicatorValue = 0;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.MaxIndicatorValue = 100;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.GraphBackground.ChartObjAttributes =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.FaceplateBackground = true;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.BarEndBulb = barbulb;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.InteriorAxis = interioraxis;
```

```
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
       numeric ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.AlarmPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
       alarm ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.UnitsPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
       units ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.YAxisTitle.ChartObjEnable =
       units ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.TagPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
       title ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoBarIndicator1.BarPlot.IndicatorSubType =
    segmented ? ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE: ChartObj.RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE;
.
.
.
```

[VB]

```
rtAutoBarIndicator1.InitBargraph(ChartObj.VERT_DIR, 0, Color.OrangeRed)
rAutoBarIndicator1.InitStrings("VERT #0", "GMB")
rtAutoBarIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 23
rtAutoBarIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 78
rtAutoBarIndicator1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 53
rtAutoBarIndicator1.MinIndicatorValue = 0
rtAutoBarIndicator1.MaxIndicatorValue = 100
rtAutoBarIndicator1.GraphBackground.ChartObjAttributes = New
ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)
rtAutoBarIndicator1.FaceplateBackground = True
rtAutoBarIndicator1.BarEndBulb = barbulb
rtAutoBarIndicator1.InteriorAxis = interioraxis
rtAutoBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(numeric,
ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE, ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
rtAutoBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.NumericTemplate.DecimalPos = 0
rtAutoBarIndicator1.AlarmPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(alarm,
ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE, ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
rtAutoBarIndicator1.UnitsPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(units,
ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE, ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
rtAutoBarIndicator1.YAxisTitle.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(units,
ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE, ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
rtAutoBarIndicator1.TagPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(title,
ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE, ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
```

```
rtAutoBarIndicator1.BarPlot.IndicatorSubType = IfTest(segmented,
ChartObj.RT_BAR_SEGMENTED_SUBTYPE, ChartObj.RT_BAR_SOLID_SUBTYPE)
```

Multi-Channel Bar Indicator

Class RTAutoMultiBarIndicator

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoMultiBarIndicator

The **RTAutoMultiBarIndicator** combines a **RTMultiBarIndicator** object with other objects needed to create a self-contained multi-bargraph display. These other objects include an array of **RTProcessVar** variables, axes, axis labels, title string, units string, alarm indicators, and panel meters used in the display of the bar graphs numeric value, tag name, and alarm status. Since it contains an array of **RTProcessVar** objects, it can display one or more channels of data.

RTAutoMultiBarIndicator constructors

Since the **RTAutoMultiBarIndicator** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()
```

```
[C#]
public RTAutoMultiBarIndicator ();
```

A couple of methods are used to initialize the multi-bar graph after instantiation, InitMultiBarIndicator and InitStrings.

The InitMultiBarIndicator method initialized the orientation of the bars, the format of multi-bar graph, the princible bar color and the number of bars. If you want each bar to have a different color, call the InitColors(Color [] clrs) method, passing in one color for each bar.

Method InitMultiBarIndicator

VB

```
Public Sub InitMultiBarIndicator ( _
    orientation As Integer, _
    bargraphformat As Integer, _
    colr As Color, _
```

```
    num As Integer _
)
```

C#

```
public void InitMultiBarIndicator(
    int orientation,
    int bargraphformat,
    Color colr,
    int num
)
```

Parameters

orientation
Specifies the orientation of the chart (ChartObj.VERT_DIR or ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR

bargraphformat
Specifies the bar graph format.

colr
The color of the bars..

num
The number of bars in the mult-bargraph.

The InitStrings method initialized the title, tags, and units strings.

Method InitStrings

VB

```
Public Sub InitStrings ( _
    title As String, _
    units As String, _
    tags As String() _
)
```

C#

```
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units,
    string[] tags
)
```

Parameters

title

The title (or tag) string.

units

The units string.

tags

An array of the tag strings.

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the bar indicator with new data..

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    values As Double(), _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

```
C#
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double[] values,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

value

An array of new values, one for each channel of the indicator.

updatedraw

True and the indicator is immediately updated.

Selected Public Instance Properties

Name	Description
AlarmIndicator	Get a reference to the RTAlarmIndicator object
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)

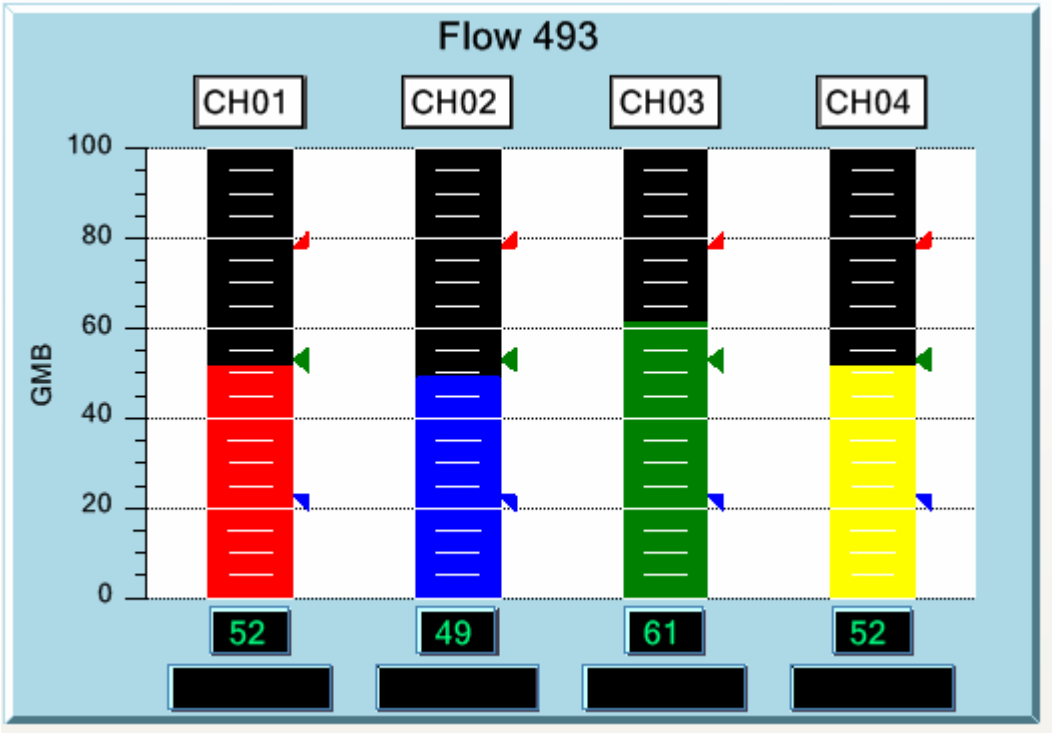
BarAttributes	Sets the line color for the chart object.
BarDataValue	Get the numeric label template object used to place numeric values on the bars.
BarEndBulb	Set/Get to true for a bar end bulb.
BarFillColor	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
BarLineWidth	Sets the line width for the chart object.
BarOrientation	Get/Set the orientation of the chart.
BarPlot	Get a reference to the RTBarIndicator object.
BarWidth	Set/Get the bar width.
BarWidthPixels	Set/Get to the pixel width of the bar in the bar plot.
CoordinateSystem	Get the coordinate system object for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
InteriorAxis	Set/Get to true and an interior axis is drawn
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MultiAlarmIndicator	Get a reference to the RTMultiAlarmIndicator object
MultiBarPlot .	Get a reference to the RTMultiBarIndicator object

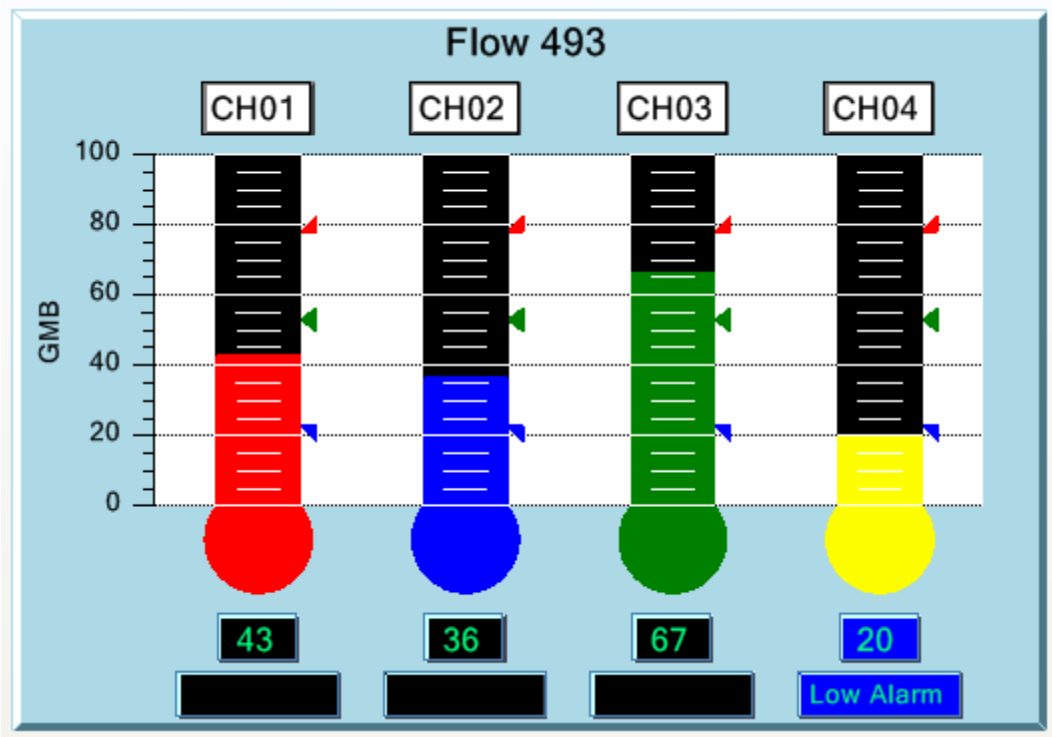
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotAttrib	Get an ChartAttribute object in the . (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotAttribArray	Get an array of ther attributes object for the bars of the bar graph.
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
RenderingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResetOnDraw	Set/Get True the ChartView object list is cleared with each redraw (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
SetpointAlarm	Get the most recent setpoint RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
TagString	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
XAxis	Get the x-axis object.
XAxis2	Get the second x-axis object.
XAxisLab	Get the x-axis labels object.
XAxisTitle	Get the x-axis title object.
XGrid	Get the x-axis grid object.
YAxis	Get the y-axis object.
YAxis2	Get the second y-axis object.
YAxisLab	Get the y-axis labels object. Accessible only after BuildGrap
YAxisTitle	Get the y-axis title object.

YGrid Get the y-axis grid object.

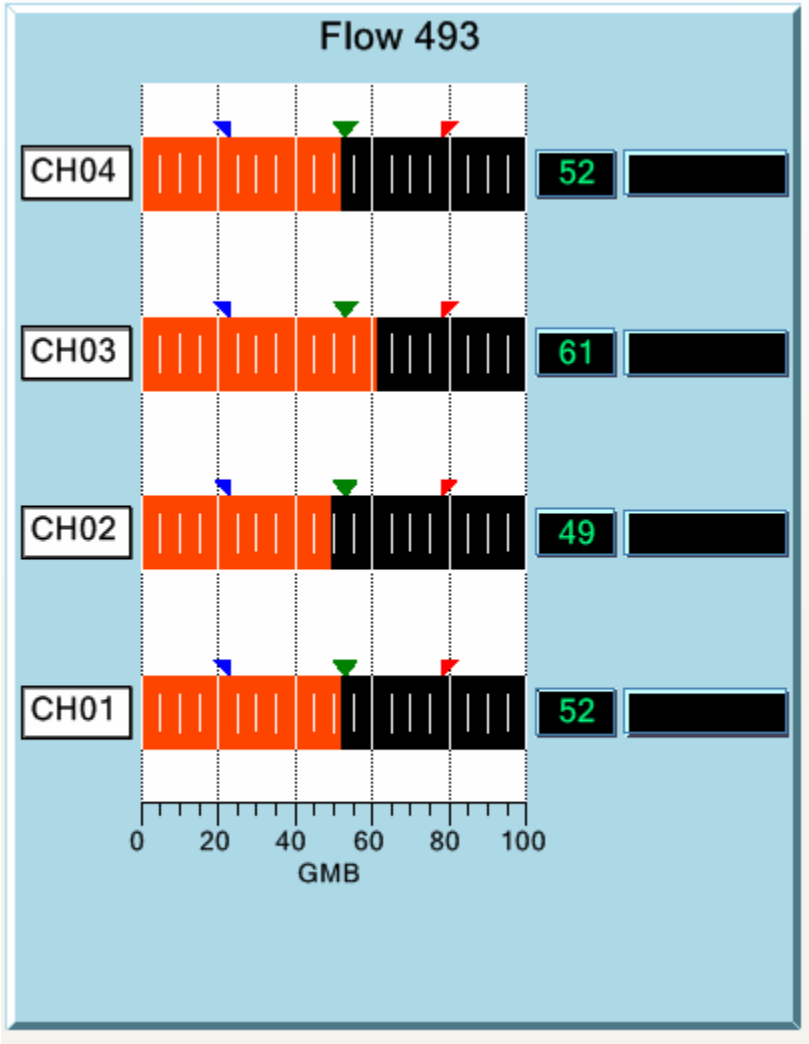
A complete listing of **RTAutoBarIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

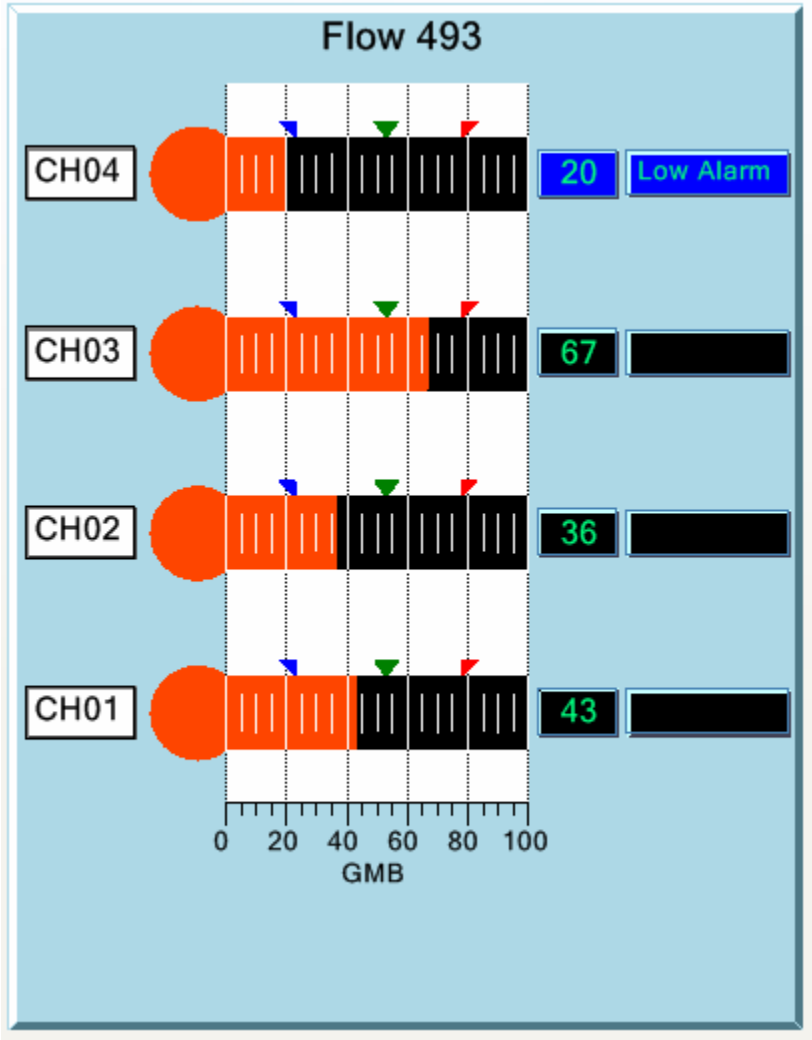
There are two different bar graph formats, horizontal and vertical. Below you will find a brief description of the differences between the formats.





Panel meters above and below the bar for the tag name, numeric value, and alarm status. The scale units displayed vertically on the left. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the bar indicator area will rescale to fit in the bulb without overlapting the numeric and alarm status panel.

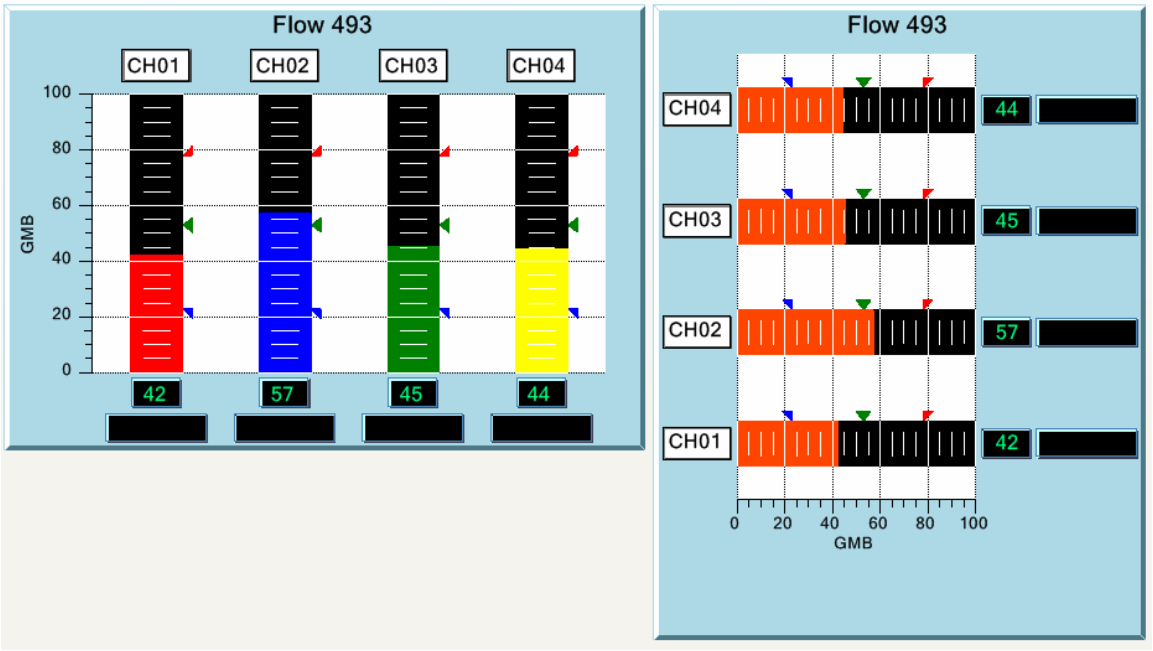

Flow 493
CH04
52
CH03
61
CH02
49
CH01
52
0
20
40
60
80
100
GMB



Panel meters to the left and right of the bar for the tag name, numeric value, and alarm status. The scale units displays horizontally under the scale. Turn the BarEndBulb property on and the bar indicator area shrinks horizontally in order to fit in the bulb without overlap.

Example for initializing RTAutoMultiBarIndicator objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos.AutoMultiBarIndicators example, draws four vertical and four horizontal bargraphs.



Below you will find the code used to initialize the first of the bargraphs above, extracted from the AutoGraphDemo.AutoMultiBarIndicators

[C#]

```
void InitializeBargraphs(bool barbulb, bool interioraxis, bool numeric, bool alarm, bool units, bool
tags, bool title)
{
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitMultiBarIndicator(ChartObj.VERT_DIR,
               1, Color.OrangeRed, 4);
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.MultiBarPlot.BarWidth = 0.1;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitColors(barcolors);
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitStrings("Flow 493", "GMB", bartags);
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 23;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 78;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 53;

     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.GraphBackground.ChartObjAttributes =
               new ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 5, DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue);
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.FaceplateBackground = true;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.BarEndBulb = barbulb;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InteriorAxis = interioraxis;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
               numeric ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
     rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.AlarmPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
```

```
            alarm ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.UnitsPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
            units ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.YAxisTitle.ChartObjEnable =
            units ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.TagPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable =
            tags ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
    rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.MainTitle.ChartObjEnable =
            title ? ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE : ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE;
      .
      .
      .
```

[VB]

```
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitMultiBarIndicator(ChartObj.VERT_DIR, 1, Color.OrangeRed, 4)
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.MultiBarPlot.BarWidth = 0.1
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitColors(barcolors)
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InitStrings("Flow 493", "GMB", bartags)
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 23
rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 78
rAutoMultiBarIndicator1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 53

rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.GraphBackground.ChartObjAttributes = New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 5,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.LightBlue)
 rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.FaceplateBackground = True
 rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.BarEndBulb = barbulb
 tAutoMultiBarIndicator1.InteriorAxis = interioraxis
 rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.NumericPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(numeric, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
 rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.AlarmPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(alarm, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
  rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.UnitsPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(units, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
        rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.YAxisTitle.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(units, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
        rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.TagPanelMeter.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(tags, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
        rtAutoMultiBarIndicator1.MainTitle.ChartObjEnable = IfTest(title, ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE,
ChartObj.OBJECT_DISABLE)
```

Meter Indicator

Class RTAutoMeterIndicator

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoMeterIndicator

The **RTAutoMeterIndicator** combines a **RTMeterIndicator** object with other objects needed to create a self-contained meter display. These other objects include a **RTProcessVar** variable, meter coordinates system, a meter axis and axis labels, title string, units string, alarm indicators, and panel meters used in the display of the meters numeric value, tag name, and alarm status. Since it contains a single **RTProcessVar** object, it displays a single channel of data.

RTAutoMeterIndicator constructors
Since the **RTAutoMeterIndicator** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()

[C#]
public RTAutoMeterIndicator ();
```

The InitStrings.method is used to initialize the meters tag and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB

Public Sub InitStrings ( _
    title As String, _
    units As String _
)


C#

public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

Parameters

title
: The title (or tag) string.

units
: The units string.

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the meter indicator with new data.

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    value As Double, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

```
C#
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double value,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

value
: Update the indicator channel with this value.

updatedraw
: True and the indicator is immediately updated.

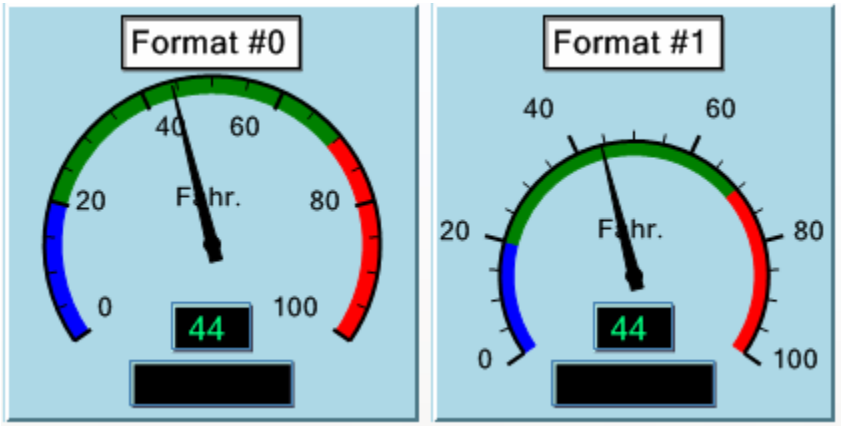
Selected Public Instance Properties

Name	Description
AlarmList	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTAlarm objects
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object
DefaultAlarmFont	Get/Set the font used for the subhead title.
DefaultAxisLabelsFont	Get/Set the default font used for the axes labels and axes titles.
DefaultDataValueFont	Get/Set the default font used for the numeric values labeling the

	indicator.
DefaultFontString	Set/Get the default font used in the chart. This is a string specifiying the name of the font.
DefaultMainTitleFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultTagFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultUnitsFont	Get/Set the font used for the chart footer.
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object.
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart.
GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object
MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string
MaximumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the upper limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator.
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator.
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object
PlotAttrib	Get an RTProcessVar object in the .
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object.
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar.
RenderingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)

A complete listing of **RTAutoMeterIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

There are 12 different meter formats, four horizontal and four vertical. Use the GraphFormat property (0..11) to set the format. Below you will find a brief description of the differences between the formats.



Formats #0 and #1 use 270 degree arcs (235 to -45 clockwise) with a tag string above and numeric panel meter and alarm status panel meter below the needle. The difference between the two formats is the meter ticks point inward in format #0 and outward in format #1.

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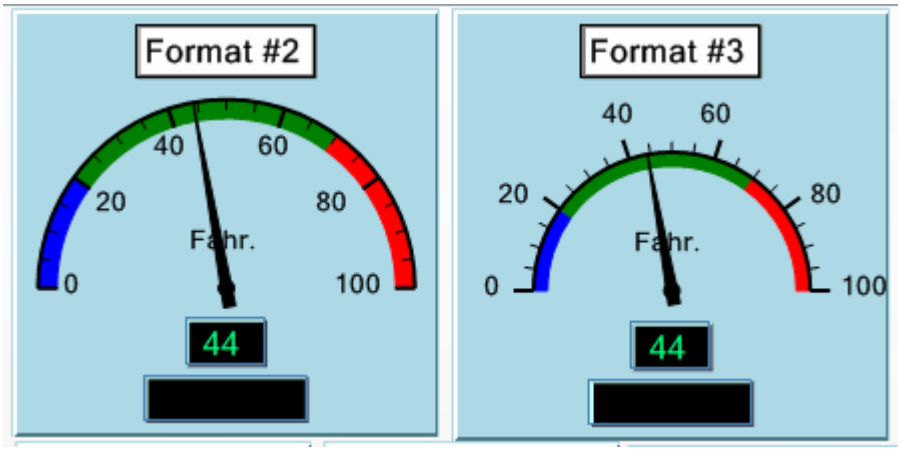
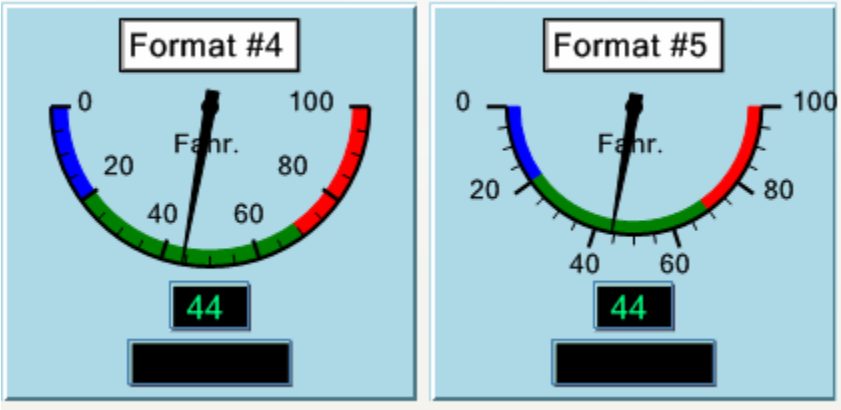
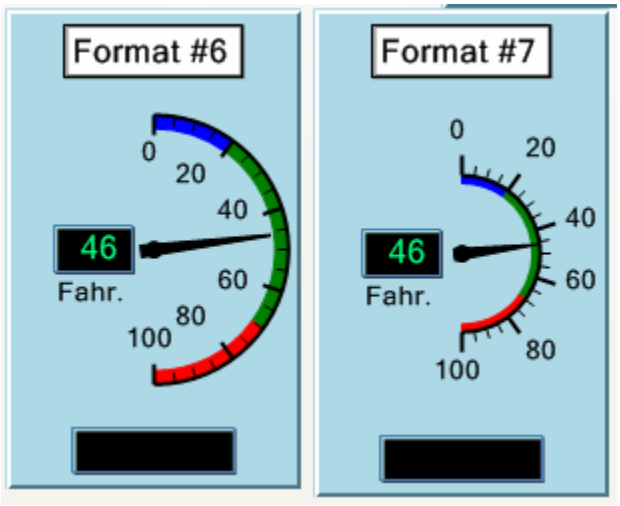


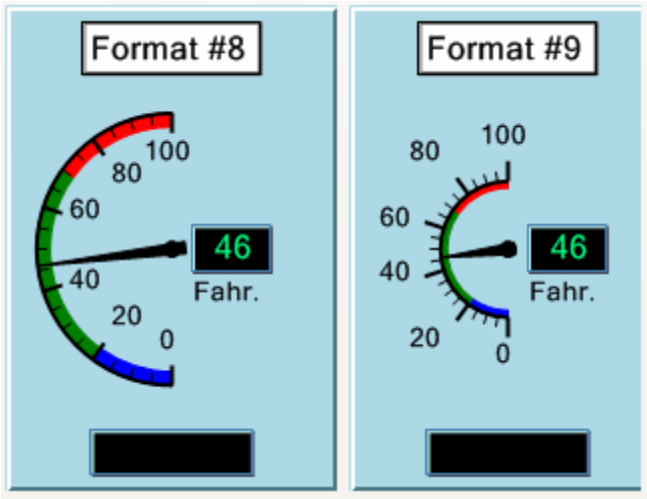
Formats #2 and #3 use 180 degree arcs (180 to 0 clockwise) with a tag string above and numeric panel meter and alarm status panel meter below the needle. The difference between the two formats is the meter ticks point inward in format #2 and outward in format #3.



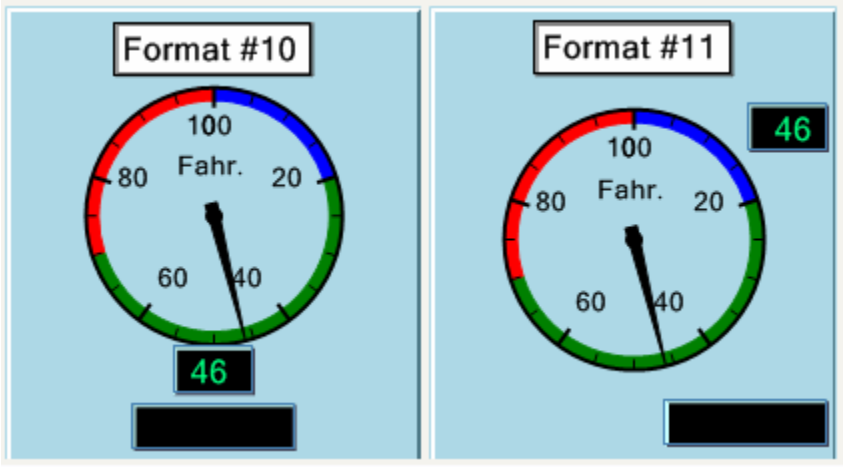
Formats #4 and #5 use 180 degree arcs (180 to 0 counter clockwise) with a tag string above and numeric panel meter and alarm status panel meter below the needle. The difference between the two formats is the meter ticks point inward in format #4 and outward in format #5.



Formats #6 and #6 use 180 degree arcs (90 to -90 clockwise) with a tag string above, numeric panel meter to to the left and alarm status panel meter below the needle. The difference between the two formats is the meter ticks point inward in format #6 and outward in format #7.



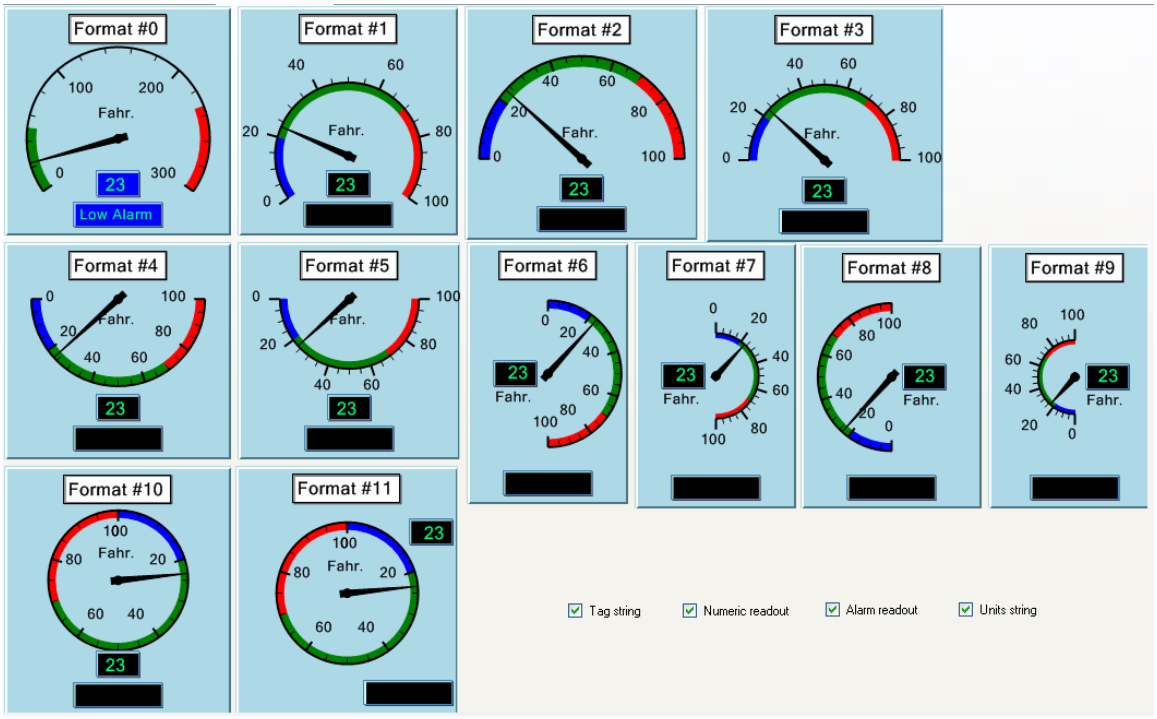
Formats #8 and #9 use 180 degree arcs (-90 to 90 clockwise) with a tag string above, numeric panel meter to to the right and alarm status panel meter below the needle. The difference between the two formats is the meter ticks point inward in format #8 and outward in format #9.



Formats #10 and #1 use 360 degree arcs 90 to 90 clockwise). Format #10 places the tag string above, and the numeric and alarm panel meters below the meter arc. Format #11 places the tag string above and the numeric and alarm panel meters to the right of the meter arc.

Example for initializing RTAutoMeterIndicator objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos.AutoMeterIndicators example, draws each of the 12 different meter formats.



Below you will find the code used to initialize the first of the meters above, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos.AutoMeterIndicator example program.

[C#]

```
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0;
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.InitStrings("Format #0", "Fahr.");
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 50;
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 233;
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.MinIndicatorValue = 0;
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.MaxIndicatorValue = 300;
```

[VB]

```
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.InitStrings("Format #0", "Fahr.")
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 50
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 233
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.MinIndicatorValue = 0
rtAutoMeterIndicator1.MaxIndicatorValue = 300
```

Dial Indicator

Class RTAutoDialIndicator

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoDialIndicator

The **RTAutoDialIndicator** combines a **RTMeterIndicator** object with other objects needed to create a self-contained meter display. These other objects include a **RTComboProcessVar** variable, meter coordinates system, a meter axis and axis labels, title string, units string, alarm indicators, and panel meters used in the display of the meters numeric value, tag name, and alarm status. Since it contains a **RTComboProcessVar** object, it can divide a single input value into multiple values to drive multiple needles in the display.

RTAutoDialIndicator constructors

Since the RTAutoDialIndicator is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()
[C#]
public RTAutoDialIndicator ();
```

The InitStrings.method is used to initialize the dials tag and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB
Public Sub InitStrings ( _
    title As String, _
    units As String _
)
```

```
C#
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

Parameters

title
: The title (or tag) string.

units
: The units string.

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the dial indicator with new data.

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    value As Double, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

```
C#
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double value,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

value
: Update the indicator channel with this value.

updatedraw
: True and the indicator is immediately updated.

Selected Public Instance Properties

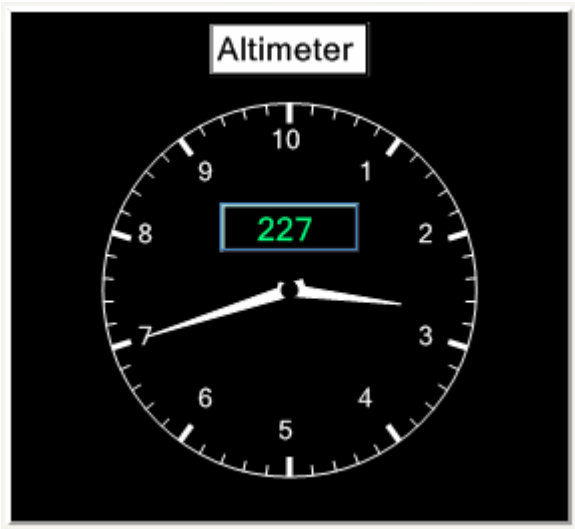
Name	Description
AlarmList	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTAlarm objects
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object
DefaultAlarmFont	Get/Set the font used for the subhead title.

DefaultAxisLabelsFont	Get/Set the default font used for the axes labels and axes titles.
DefaultDataValueFont	Get/Set the default font used for the numeric values labeling the indicator.
DefaultFontString	Set/Get the default font used in the chart. This is a string specifiying the name of the font.
DefaultMainTitleFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultTagFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultUnitsFont	Get/Set the font used for the chart footer.
DialInterior	Get dialInterior RTGenShape object.
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object.
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart.
GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object
MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string
MaximumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the upper limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator.
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator.
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object
PlotAttrib	Get an RTProcessVar object in the .
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object.
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar.
RenderingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed.

	(Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)

A complete listing of **RTAutoDialIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

There are three different dial formats. Use the GraphFormat property (0..2) to set the format. Below you will find a brief description of the differences between the formats.



Format #0 dispalys a two needle dial, with a scale range of 0 to 10, with a tag string at the top of the windows, and a numeric panel meter above the needle pivot point.The internal RTComboProcessVar object assigns the update value to the first (longest) of the two meter needles, and the (update value) / 10 to the second (smaller) of the two needles.

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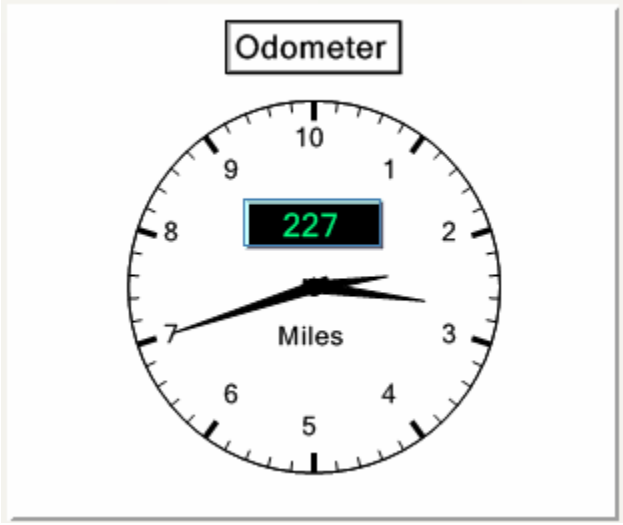
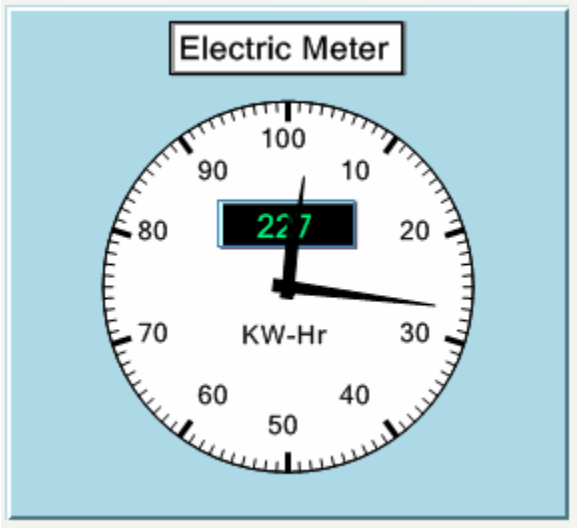


Format #1 dispalys a three needle dial, with a scale range of 0 to 10, with a tag string at the top of the windows, and a numeric panel meter above the needle pivot point.The internal RTComboProcessVar object assigns the update value to the first (longest) of the three meter needles, the (update value) / 10 to the second (middle) of the three needles, and the (update value) / 100 to the third (shortest) of the three needles.



Format #2 dispalys a three needle dial, with a scale range of 0 to 100, with a tag string at the top of the windows, and a numeric panel meter above the needle pivot point.The internal RTComboProcessVar object assigns the update value to the first (longest) of the three meter needles, the (update value) / 100 to the second (middle) of the three needles, and the (update value) / 10000 to the third (shortest) of the three needles.

Example for initializing RTAutoDialIndicator objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos. AutoDialsAndClockIndicators example, draws each of the 3 different dial formats.

[C#]

```
public void InitializeGraph()
{
   .
   .
   .
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0;
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White;
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator1.InvertColors();
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator1.InitStrings("Altimeter", "Feet");

   this.rtAutoDialIndicator2.GraphFormat = 1;
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White;
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator2.InitStrings("Odometer", "Miles");

   this.rtAutoDialIndicator3.GraphFormat = 2;
   this.rtAutoDialIndicator3.InitStrings("Electric Meter", "KW-Hr");
}
```

[VB]

```
Public Sub InitializeGraph()

  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InvertColors()
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InitStrings("Boston", "EST")

  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphFormat = 1
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.PlotAttrib.FillColor = Color.Blue
  Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.InitStrings("Pittsburgh", "EST")
```

```
    Me.rtAutoClockIndicator3.GraphFormat = 2
    Me.rtAutoClockIndicator3.PlotAttrib.FillColor = Color.Green
    Me.rtAutoClockIndicator3.InitStrings("Ft. Myers", "EST")


    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator1.InvertColors()
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator1.InitStrings("Altimeter", "Feet")

    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator2.GraphFormat = 1
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator2.InitStrings("Odometer", "Miles")

    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator3.GraphFormat = 2
    Me.rtAutoDialIndicator3.InitStrings("Electric Meter", "KW-Hr")

End Sub
```

Clock Indicator

Class RTAutoClockIndicator

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoClockIndicator

The **RTAutoClockIndicator** combines a **RTMeterIndicator** object with other objects needed to create a self-contained meter display. These other objects include a **RTComboProcessVar** variable, meter coordinates system, a meter axis and axis labels, title string, units string, alarm indicators, and panel meters used in the display of the meters numeric value, tag name, and alarm status. Since it contains a **RTComboProcessVar** object, it can divide a single input value (time in this case) into multiple values (hours, minutes, seconds) to drive multiple needles in the display.

RTAutoClockIndicator constructors

Since the **RTAutoClockIndicator** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()

[C#]
public RTAutoMeterIndicator ();
```

The InitStrings.method is used to initialize the clock tag and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB
Public Sub InitStrings ( _
    title As String, _
    units As String _
)
```

```
C#
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

Parameters

title
: The title (or tag) string.

units
: The units string.

Use the UpdateClock method to update the clock indicator with a new time value.

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateClock ( _
    time As DateTime, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)

Public Sub UpdateClock ( _
    time As ChartCalendar, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

C#

```
public:
void UpdateClock(
    DateTime time,
    bool updatedraw
)

public:
void UpdateClock(
    ChartCalendar time,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

value

Update the clock with this time value.

updatedraw

True and the indicator is immediately updated.

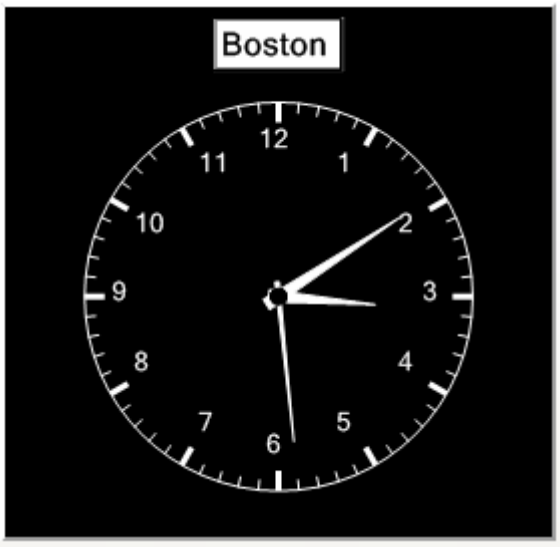
Selected Public Instance Properties

Name	Description
AlarmList	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTAlarm objects
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object
DefaultAlarmFont	Get/Set the font used for the subhead title.
DefaultAxisLabelsFont	Get/Set the default font used for the axes labels and axes titles.
DefaultDataValueFont	Get/Set the default font used for the numeric values labeling the indicator.
DefaultFontString	Set/Get the default font used in the chart. This is a string specifiying the name of the font.
DefaultMainTitleFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultTagFont	Get/Set the font used for the main title.
DefaultUnitsFont	Get/Set the font used for the chart footer.
DialInterior	Get dialInterior RTGenShape object.
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object.
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart.

GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object
MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string
MaximumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the upper limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator.
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator.
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object
PlotAttrib	Get an RTProcessVar object in the .
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object.
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar.
RenderingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)

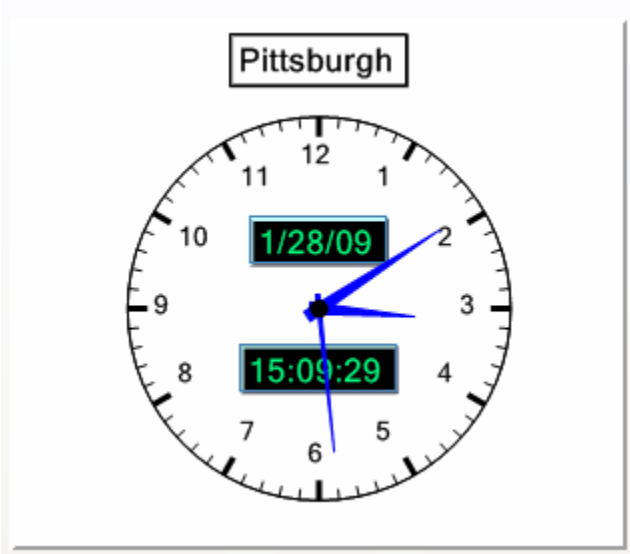
A complete listing of **RTAutoClockIndicator** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

There are two different clock formats. Use the GraphFormat property (0..1) to set the format. Below you will find a brief description of the differences between the formats.



Format #0 displays a three hand (hours, minutes, seconds) clock. A tag name is displayed above the clock face.

.



Format #1 displays a three hand (hours, minutes, seconds) clock. The date is displayed above the center of the clock, and a digial readout of the time below the center of the clock. A tag name is displayed above the clock face.

Example for initializing RTAutoClockIndicator objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos. AutoDialsAndClockIndicators example, the different clock formats.

[C#]

```
public void InitializeGraph()
{
   .
   .
   .
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0;
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White;
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InvertColors();
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InitStrings("Boston", "EST");

    this.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphFormat = 1;
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White;
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator2.PlotAttrib.FillColor = Color.Blue;
    this.rtAutoClockIndicator2.InitStrings("Pittsburgh", "EST");
   .
    .

}
```

[VB]

```
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphFormat = 0
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InvertColors()
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator1.InitStrings("Boston", "EST")

Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphFormat = 1
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.White
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.PlotAttrib.FillColor = Color.Blue
Me.rtAutoClockIndicator2.InitStrings("Pittsburgh", "EST")
```

Scrolling Graph (Horizontal) Indicator

Class RTAutoScrollGraph

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator

RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoScrollGraph

The **RTAutoScrollGraph** is a **ChartView** derived object that encapsulates all of the chart elements needed to draw a horizontal scrolling graph, including an array of **RTProcessVar** objects, a coordinate system, axes, axes labels, **RTSingleValuePlot**, **RTGroupMultiValuePlot**, **RTAlarmSymbol** alarm symbols, legend, title, subhead, footer and units strings. The **RTAutoScrollGraph** support horizontal scrolling only. Use the **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** for a vertical scrolling version.

There are three types of scrolling x-scales you can use in a scrolling chart: a date/time scale, an elapsed time scale or a numeric scale. Use the appropriate InitRTAutoScroll overload to select which one is most applicable to your data.

RTAutoScrollGraph constructors

Since the **RTAutoScrollGraph** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()

[C#]
public RTAutoScrollGraph ();
```

A couple of methods are used to initialize the scroll graph after instantiation, InitRTAutoScrollGraph and InitStrings.

The **InitRTAutoScrollGraph** method initializes the the x- and y-scales of the scrolling graph

Method InitRTAutoScrollGraph

VB

Initialize x-scale to a Date/Time scale using **ChartCalendar** objects, linear y-scale

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As ChartCalendar, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As ChartCalendar, _
    maxy As Double _
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a Date/Time scale using **DateTime** objects, linear y-scale

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As DateTime, _
    miny As Double, _
```

```
    maxx As DateTime, _
    maxy As Double _
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a linear scale using doubles, linear y-scale

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As Double, _
    maxy As Double _
)
```

Initialize x-scale to an elapsed time scale using **TimeSpan** objects, linear y-scale

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As TimeSpan, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As TimeSpan, _
    maxy As Double _
)
```

Initialize x-scale to the scale type specified by the parameter scaltype, linear y-scale. Use millisecond values for minx and maxx.

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As Double, _
    maxy As Double, _
    scaletype As Integer _
)
```

C#

Initialize x-scale to a Date/Time scale using **ChartCalendar** objects, linear y-scale

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    ChartCalendar minx,
    double miny,
    ChartCalendar maxx,
    double maxy
```

```
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a Date/Time scale using **DateTime** objects, linear y-scale

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    DateTime minx,
    double miny,
    DateTime maxx,
    double maxy
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a linear scale using doubles, linear y-scale

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    double miny,
    double maxx,
    double maxy
)
```

Initialize x-scale to an elapsed time scale using **TimeSpan** objects, linear y-scale

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    TimeSpan minx,
    double miny,
    TimeSpan maxx,
    double maxy
)
```

Initialize x-scale to the scale type specified by the parameter scaltype, linear y-scale. Use millisecond values for minx and maxx.

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    double miny,
    double maxx,
    double maxy,
    int scaletype
)
```

Parameters

minx

The starting x-value as a **DateTime**, **ChartCalendar**, double or **TimeSpan** value, depending on which of the overloads is used.

miny
The starting y-value.

maxx
The ending x-value as a **DateTime**, **ChartCalendar**, double or **TimeSpan** value, depending on which of the overloads is used.

maxy
The ending y-value.

The InitStrings method initialized the title and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

```
C#
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

Parameters

title
The title string.

units
The units string.

Add a channel (a plot object) to the scrolling graph using the AddRTPlotObject.

Method AddRTPlotObject

```
VB
Public Sub AddRTPlotObject ( _
    plottype As Integer, _
    colr As Color, _
    tag As String _
```

```
)
```

C#

```
public void AddRTPlotObject(
    int plottype,
    Color colr,
    string tag
)
```

Parameters

plottype

Specifies the simple plot type: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT

colr

The primary color of the plot object.

tag

The tag name associated with the plot object.

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the scrolling graph with new data.

Method UpdateIndicator

VB

```
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    values As Double(), _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)

Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    value As Double, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

C#

```
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double[] values,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

```
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double value,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

values
: An array of new values, one for each channel of the indicator.

value
: A single value if the scroll graphs only has one channel..

updatedraw
: True and the indicator is immediately updated.

Selected Public Instance Properties

Name	Description
AlarmList	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTAlarm objects (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
AlarmPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTAlarmPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
BarDataValue	Get the numeric label template object used to place numeric values on the bars.
BarFillColor	Sets the fill color for the chart object.
BarLineColor	Sets the line color for the chart object.
BarLineWidth	Sets the line width for the chart object.
BarWidth	Set/Get the bar width.
ChartLegend	Get/Set the charts Legend object
ChartObjType	Get/Set the chart object type. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
ChartSimpleDataset	Get the SimpleDataset object that holds the data used to plot the scroll graph.
CoordinateSystem	Get the coordinate system object for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
DatasetList	Get dataset object list.
Datatooltip	Get the data tooltip object for the chart.
DefaultChartFontString	Set/Get the default font used in the chart. This is a string specifiying the name of the font.

DefaultLegendFont	Get/Set the font used for the legend.
DefaultSubHeadFont	Get/Set the font used for the sub head.
DefaultToolTipFont	Set/Get the default font object used for the tooltip.
DrawEnable	(Inherited from ChartView.)
FaceplateBackground	Set to true to show 3D faceplate (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBackground	Get the graph background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphBorder	Get the default graph border for the chart. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphFormat	Get/Set any an indicator format, is supported (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
GraphScrollFrame	Get the graphs RTScrollFrame.
GroupPlotObj	Get the GroupVersaPlot plot object.
Height	Gets or sets the height of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
HighAlarm	Get the most recent high RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Location	Gets or sets the coordinates of the upper-left corner of the control relative to the upper-left corner of its container. (Inherited from Control.)
LowAlarm	Get the most recent low RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MainTitle	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MaxIndicatorValue	The maximum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
MinimumSize	Gets or sets the size that is the lower limit that GetPreferredSize(Size) can specify. (Inherited from Control.)
MinIndicatorValue	The minimum value for the indicator. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
NumericPanelMeter	Get a reference to the RTNumericPanelMeter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotAttrib	Get an RTProcessVar object in the . (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
PlotBackground	Get the plot background object. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)

PlotObjectList	Get plot object list.
PreferredSize	(Inherited from ChartView.)
ProcessVariable	Get most recently created RTProcessVar. (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
ProcessVariableArray	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTProcessVar objects
ResetOnDraw	Set/Get True the ChartView object list is cleared with each redraw (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
ResizeMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
SetpointAlarm	Get the most recent setpoint RTAlarm object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
SimplePlotObj	Get the SimpleVersaPlot plot object.
SingleValuePlot	Get the most recent RTSingleValuePlot object
SingleValuePlotList	Get the ArrayList holding all of the RTSimpleSingleValuePlot objects
Size	Gets or sets the height and width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)
SmoothingMode	(Inherited from ChartView.)
SubHead	Get the sub head object for the chart.
Tag	Gets or sets the object that contains data about the control. (Inherited from Control.)
TagPanelMeter	Get a reference to the tag panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
TagString	Get/Set the tag string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Text	(Inherited from UserControl.)
TextRenderingHint	(Inherited from ChartView.)
UnitsPanelMeter	Get a reference to the units string panel meter object (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
UnitsString	Get/Set the units string (Inherited from RTAutoIndicator.)
Visible	Gets or sets a value indicating whether the control is displayed. (Inherited from Control.)
Width	Gets or sets the width of the control. (Inherited from Control.)

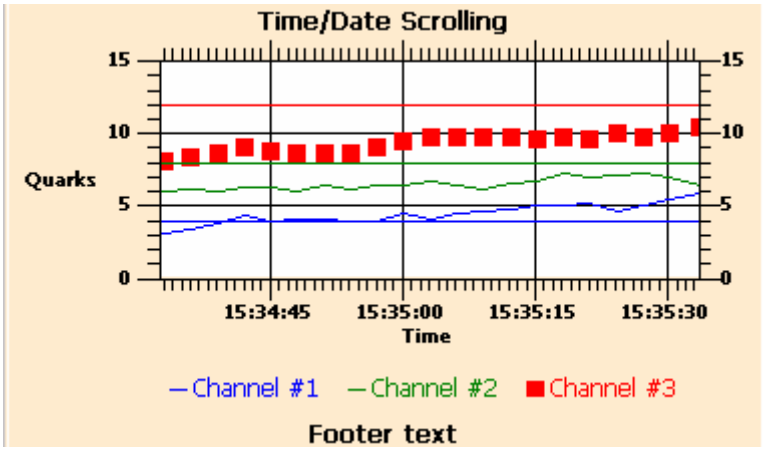
XAxis	Get the x-axis object.
XAxis2	Get the second x-axis object.
XAxisLab	Get the x-axis labels object.
XAxisLab2	Get the second x-axis labels object.
XAxisTitle	Get the x-axis title object.
XGrid	Get the x-axis grid object.
YAxis	Get the y-axis object.
YAxis2	Get the second y-axis object.
YAxisLab	Get the y-axis labels object. Accessible only after BuildGrap
YAxisLab2	Get the second y-axis labels object. Accessible only after BuildGrap
YAxisTitle	Get the y-axis title object.
YGrid	Get the y-axis grid object.

A complete listing of **RTAutoScrollGraph** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

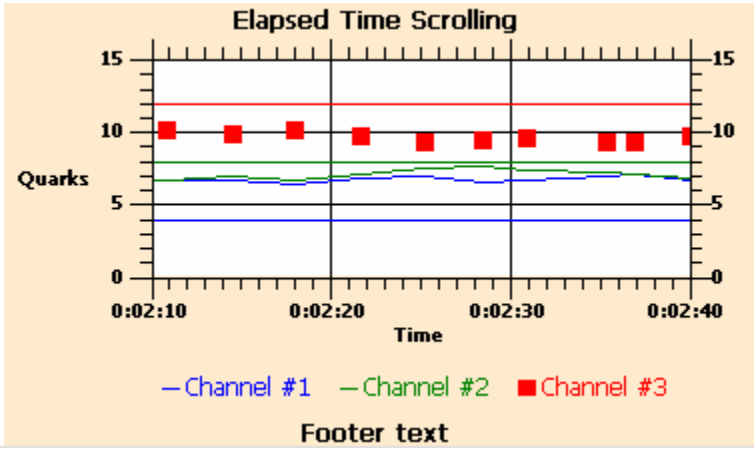
The **RTAutoScrollGraph** class supports a date/time, elapsed time and numeric time horizontal (x-axis) scale. The y-axis scale is linear or logarithmic.The title and subhead shows above above the chart, the legend and footer below.

Example for initializing RTAutoScrollGraph objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos. SimpleAutoScrollUserControl1 example, draws horizontal and vertical scrolling graphs. The top horizontal scrolling graph uses a date/time scale for the scrolling axis. The bottom horizontal scroll graph uses an elapsed time scale for the scrolling axis.



Scrolling graph with Date/Time x-axis scale



Scrolling graph with elapsed time x-axis scale

```
public void InitializeGraph()
{

// TOP HORIZONTAL GRAPH - Date/Time scale
   DateTime starttime = DateTime.Now;
   DateTime endtime = DateTime.Now;
   endtime = endtime.AddSeconds(10);

   rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(starttime, 0, endtime, 15);
   rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
               Color.Blue, "Channel #1");
   rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
```

```
                Color.Green, "Channel #2");
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT,
                Color.Red, "Channel #3");
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 8;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY =
                 ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Time", "Quarks");
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.SubHead.TextString = "Subhead Text";
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.Footer.TextString = "Footer text";
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoScrollGraph1.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    .
    .
    .
// BOTTOM HORIZONTAL GRAPH - Elapsed Time scale

    TimeSpan startts = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0);
    TimeSpan endts = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(30);
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(startts, 0, endts, 15);
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
                Color.Blue, "Channel #1");
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
                Color.Green, "Channel #2");
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT,
                Color.Red, "Channel #3");
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 8;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY =
                ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Time", "Quarks");
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.SubHead.TextString = "Subhead Text";
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.Footer.TextString = "Footer text";
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoScrollGraph2.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
}
```

The update of scroll graphs takes place in the timer event handler.

```
private void timer1_Tick(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
   ChartCalendar timestamp = new ChartCalendar();
   for (int i = 0; i < currentValues.Length; i++)
     currentValues[i] += (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble());
   rtAutoScrollGraph1.UpdateScrollGraph(timestamp, currentValues, true);

   // get elapsed time in milliseconds
   double etimemsecs = timestamp.GetCalendarMsecs() -
               startCalendar.GetCalendarMsecs();
   TimeSpan etimespan = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds(etimemsecs);
   rtAutoScrollGraph2.UpdateScrollGraph(etimespan, currentValues, true);
   .
   .
   .
}
```

[VB]

```
Public Sub InitializeGraph()

  Dim starttime As DateTime = DateTime.Now
  Dim endtime As DateTime = DateTime.Now
  endtime = endtime.AddSeconds(10)

  rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(starttime, 0, endtime, 15)
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Blue, "Channel #1")
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Green, "Channel #2")
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT, Color.Red, "Channel #3")
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 8
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Time", "Quarks")
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.SubHead.TextString = "Time/Date Scrolling"
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.Footer.TextString = "Footer text"
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 4
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 12
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 8
```

```
.
.
.

  Dim startts As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0)
  Dim endts As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(30)
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(startts, 0, endts, 15)
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Blue, "Channel #1")
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Green, "Channel #2")
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT, Color.Red, "Channel #3")
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 8
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeY = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Time", "Quarks")
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.SubHead.TextString = "Elapsed Time Scrolling"
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.Footer.TextString = "Footer text"
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 4
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 12
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 8
End Sub
```

The update of scroll graphs takes place in the timer event handler.

```
Private Sub timer1_Tick(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As EventArgs) Handles timer1.Tick
  Dim timestamp As New ChartCalendar()
  For i As Integer = 0 To currentValues.Length - 1
     currentValues(i) += (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
  Next
  rtAutoScrollGraph1.UpdateScrollGraph(timestamp, currentValues, True)

  ' get elapsed time in milliseconds
  Dim etimemsecs As Double = timestamp.GetCalendarMsecs() -    startCalendar.GetCalendarMsecs()
  Dim etimespan As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds(etimemsecs)
  rtAutoScrollGraph2.UpdateScrollGraph(etimespan, currentValues, True)
.
.
.
```

```
End Sub
```

Scrolling Graph (Vertical) Indicator

Class RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph

System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView
RTAutoIndicator
RTAutoBarIndicator
RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph

The **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** is a **ChartView** derived object that encapsulates all of the chart elements needed to draw a scrolling graph, including an array of **RTProcessVar** objects, a coordinate system, axes, axes labels, **RTSingleValuePlot**, **RTGroupMultiValuePlot**, **RTAlarmSymbol** alarm symbols, legend, title, subhead, footer and units strings. The **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** support vertical horizontal scrolling. Use the **RTAutoScrollGraph** for horizontal scrolling.

There are three types of scrolling y-scales you can use in a scrolling chart: a date/time scale, an elapsed time scale or a numeric scale. Use the appropriate InitRTAutoScroll overload to select which one is most applicable to your data.

RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph constructors

Since the **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** is designed to be dropped on a form, only a default constructor is used. The indicator is customized using public properties.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New()

[C#]
public RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph ();
```

A couple of methods are used to initialize the scroll graph after instantiation, InitRTAutoScrollGraph and InitStrings.

The **InitRTAutoScrollGraph** method initializes the the x- and y-scales of the scrolling graph. Note that the y-values are now the time-based scale, rather than the x-values as in the RTAutoScrollGraph class.

Method InitRTAutoScrollGraph

VB

Initialize the x-scale a linear scale and the y-scale to a Date/Time scale using ChartCalendar objects

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As ChartCalendar, _
    maxx As Double _
    maxy As ChartCalendar, _
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to a Date/Time scale using DateTime objects

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As DateTime, _
    maxx As Double _
    maxy As DateTime, _
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to a linear scale

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As Double, _
    maxy As Double _
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to an elapsed time using TimeSpan objects

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As TimeSpan, _
    maxx As Double _
    maxy As TimeSpan, _
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to the scale type specified by the parameter. Use millisecond values for miny and maxy.

```
Public Sub InitRTAutoScrollGraph ( _
    minx As Double, _
    miny As Double, _
    maxx As Double, _
```

```
    maxy As Double, _
    scaletype As Integer _
)
```

C#

Initialize the x-scale a linear scale and the y-scale to a Date/Time scale using ChartCalendar objects.

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    ChartCalendar miny,
    double maxx
    ChartCalendar maxy,
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to a Date/Time scale using DateTime objects.

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    DateTime miny,
    double maxx
    DateTime maxy,
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to a linear scale

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    double miny,
    double maxx,
    double maxy
)
```

Initialize the x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to an elapsed time using TimeSpan objects

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    TimeSpan miny,
    double maxx
    TimeSpan maxy,
```

```
)
```

Initialize x-scale to a linear scale and the y-scale to the scale type specified by the parameter. Use millisecond values for miny and maxy.

```
public void InitRTAutoScrollGraph(
    double minx,
    double miny,
    double maxx,
    double maxy,
    int scaletype
)
```

Parameters

minx
: The starting x-value.

miny
: The starting y-value as a DateTime, ChartCalendar, double or TimeSpan value, depending on which of the overloads is used.

maxx
: The ending x-value.

maxy
: The ending y-value as a DateTime, ChartCalendar, double or TimeSpan value, , depending on which of the overloads is used.

The InitStrings method initialized the title and units strings.

Method InitStrings

```
VB
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
)
```

```
C#
public void InitStrings(
    string title,
    string units
```

```
)
```

Parameters

title

The title string.

units

The units string.

Add a channel (a plot object) to the scrolling graph using the AddRTPlotObject.

Method AddRTPlotObject

```
VB
Public Sub AddRTPlotObject ( _
    plottype As Integer, _
    colr As Color, _
    tag As String _
)
```

```
C#
public void AddRTPlotObject(
    int plottype,
    Color colr,
    string tag
)
```

Parameters

plottype

Specifies the simple plot type: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT

colr

The primary color of the plot object.

tag

The tag name associated with the plot object.

Use the UpdateIndicator method to update the scrolling graph with new data.

Method UpdateIndicator

```
VB
Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
```

```
    values As Double(), _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)

Public Sub UpdateIndicator ( _
    value As Double, _
    updatedraw As Boolean _
)
```

C#

```
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double[] values,
    bool updatedraw
)
public void UpdateIndicator(
    double value,
    bool updatedraw
)
```

Parameters

values
: An array of new values, one for each channel of the indicator.

value
: A single value if the scroll graphs only has one channel..

updatedraw
: True and the indicator is immediately updated.

Selected Public Instance Properties

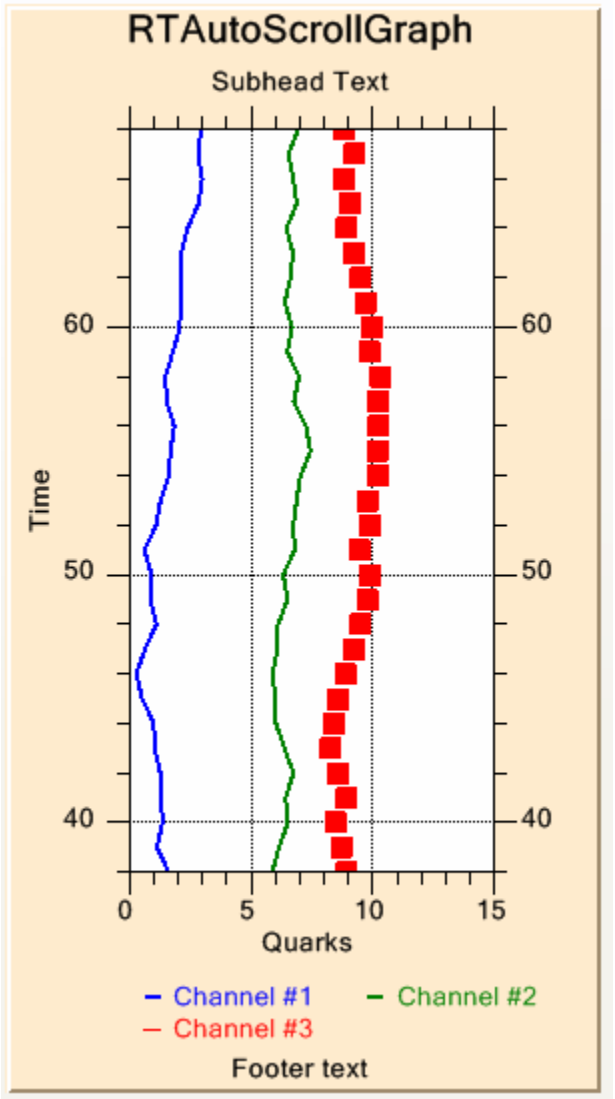
Refer to the list of properties under the RTAutoScrollGraph description.

A complete listing of **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** properties is found in the QCRTGraphNetCompiledHelpFile.chm documentation file, located in the \doc subdirectory.

The **RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph** class supports a date/time, elapsed time and numeric time horizontal (x-axis) scale. The y-axis scale is linear or logarithmic.The title and subhead shows above above the chart, the legend and footer below.

Example for initializing RTAutoVerticalScrollGraph objects

The example below, extracted from the AutoGraphDemos. SimpleAutoScrollUserControl1 example, draws horizontal and vertical scrolling graphs. The rightmost scrolling graph is a vertical scrolling that uses a linear (numeric) scale.



Vertical scrolling graph numeric y-scale

```
public void InitializeGraph()
{
   .
```

```
    .
    .
    double startvalue = 0;
    double stopvalue = 30;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(0, startvalue, 15, stopvalue);
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
                 Color.Blue, "Channel #1");
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT,
                 Color.Green, "Channel #2");
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT,
                 Color.Red, "Channel #3");

    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 10;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX =
                ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_Y_MINMAX;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Quarks", "Time");
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SubHead.TextString = "Subhead Text";
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.Footer.TextString = "Footer text";
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE;
    .
    .
    .

}
```

The update of scroll graphs takes place in the timer event handler.

```
private void timer1_Tick(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  ChartCalendar timestamp = new ChartCalendar();
  for (int i = 0; i < currentValues.Length; i++)
     currentValues[i] += (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble());

  .
  .
  count++;
  rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.UpdateScrollGraph(count, currentValues, true);   .
  .
```

```
  .
}
```

[VB]

```
Public Sub InitializeGraph()
.
.
.
   Dim startvalue As Double = 0
   Dim stopvalue As Double = 30
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitRTAutoScrollGraph(0, startvalue, 15, stopvalue)
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Blue, "Channel #1")
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.LINE_PLOT, Color.Green, "Channel #2")
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitSimpleRTPlotObject(ChartObj.SCATTER_PLOT, Color.Red, "Channel #3")
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SimplePlotObj.SymbolAttributes.SymbolSize = 10
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollRescaleMargin = 0.01
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphScrollFrame.ScrollScaleModeX = ChartObj.RT_AUTOSCALE_X_MINMAX
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.InitStrings("RTAutoScrollGraph", "Quarks", "Time")
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.GraphBackground.FillColor = Color.BlanchedAlmond
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SubHead.TextString = "Numeric Scrolling"
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SubHead.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.Footer.TextString = "Footer text"
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.Footer.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.YAxisLab2.ChartObjEnable = ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.LowAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 4
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.HighAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 12
   rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.SetpointAlarm.AlarmLimitValue = 8
.
.
.

End Sub
```

The update of scroll graphs takes place in the timer event handler.

```
Private Sub timer1_Tick(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As EventArgs) Handles timer1.Tick
  Dim timestamp As New ChartCalendar()
  For i As Integer = 0 To currentValues.Length - 1
      currentValues(i) += (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
  Next
.
.
```

```
.

    count += 1
    rtAutoVerticalScrollGraph1.UpdateScrollGraph(count, currentValues, True)
End Sub
```

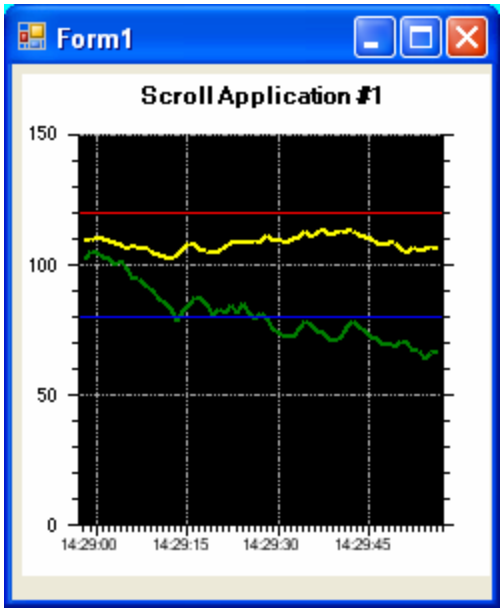
20. Using QCRTGraph CF to Create Windows Applications

The primary view class of the **QCRTGraph CF** library is the **ChartView** class. The **ChartView** class is derived from the .Net **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl** class. It has the properties and methods of the underlying **UserControl** class. The example programs for the **QCRTGraph CF** library are found in the following directories:

C:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCRTGraph\Visual CSharp\CF examples

C:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCRTGraph\Visual Basic\CF examples

Follow the following steps in order to incorporate the **QCRTGraph CF** classes into your program. This is not the only way to add charts to an application. In general, any technique that works with **UserControl** derived classes will work. We found the technique described below this to be the most flexible.



ScrollApplication1, ScrollApplication2 and ScrollApplication3 all produce this scrolling graph.

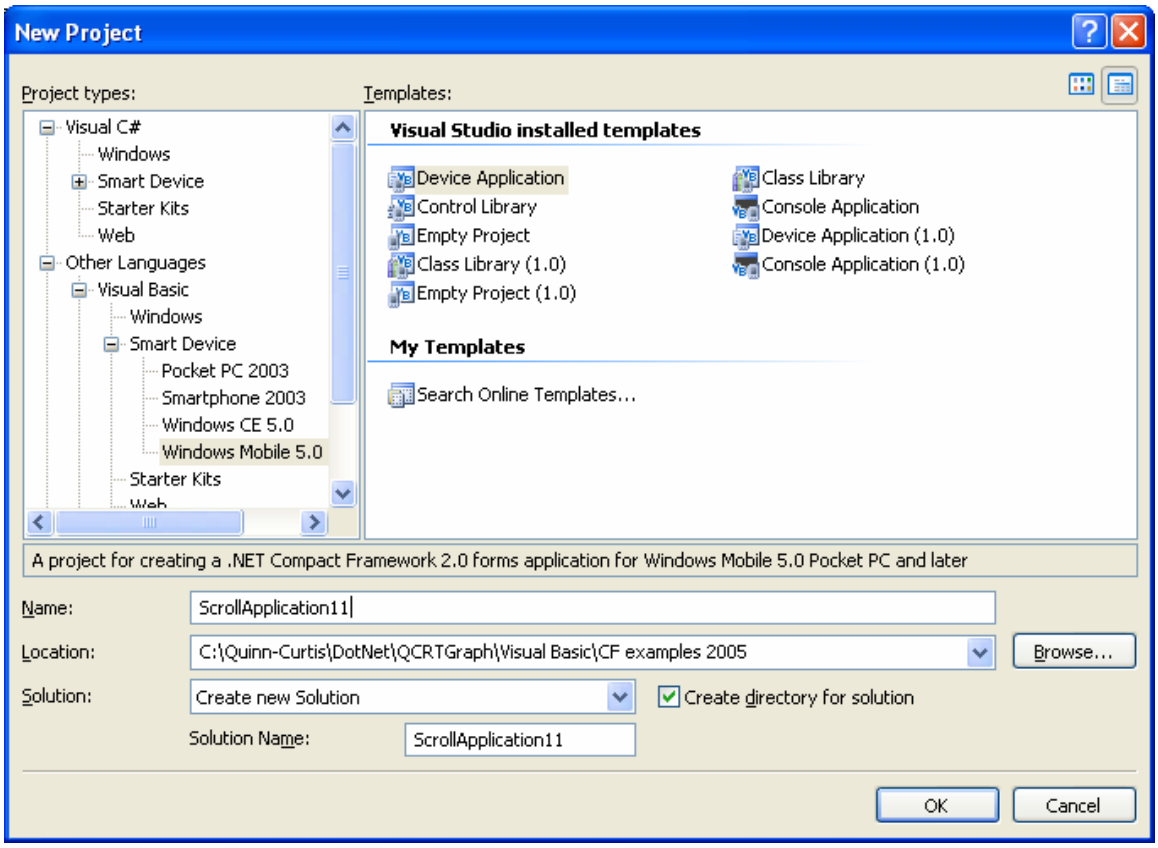
Visual Basic for .Net Compact Framework

First, if this is the first **.Net Compact Framework** program you have every created, make a few practice application programs using the Visual Studio defaults. Don't' try to add graphics to an application until you are able to create a simple .**Net Compact Framework** applications using the **New Project (File | New | Project)** application wizard.

- You start the **New Project** application wizard by selecting **File | New | Project**, bringing up the **New Project** dialog box.

- From this dialog, select **Visual Basic Projects | Smart Device | Windows Mobile 5.0** folder on the left, and the **Device Application** template on the right. The default Device Application targets a .Net CF 2.0 device. Do **NOT** target a .Net 1.0 device by selecting the Device Application (1.0), since this software is not compatible with .Net 1.0 and 1.1.

- Assign a name to the application in the name box, either the default (**DeviceApplication1**), or your own pick (**ScrollApplication11** in the example below). Select a location, which for our examples is the folder C:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\ QCRTGraph \Visual Basic\CF examples.

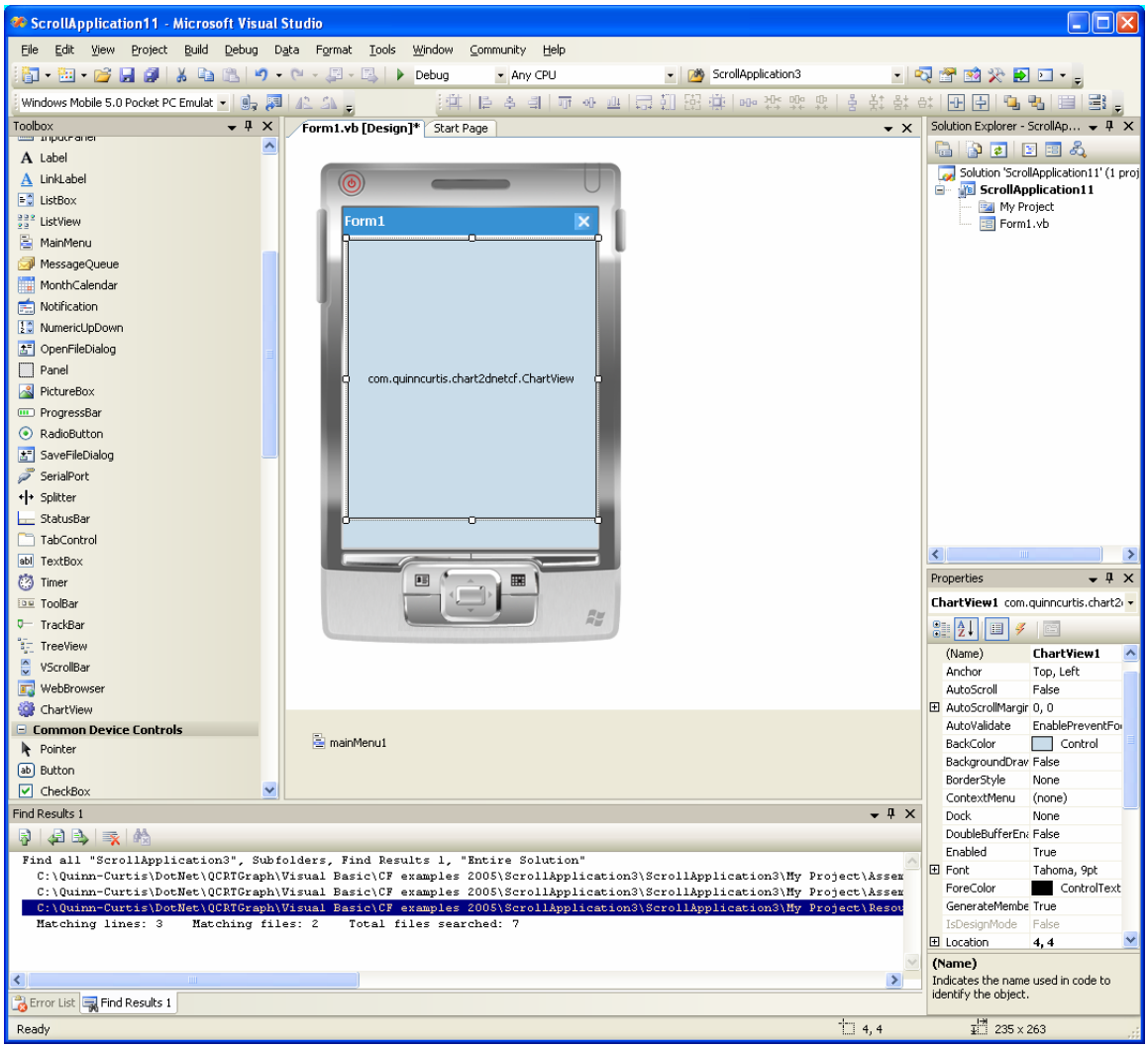


The previous steps apply to all **.Net Compact Framework** applications. The following steps are specific to adding **QCRTGraph CF** charts to your application. For purposes of this example, the chart will placed in the initial, default form.

Using ChartView with the Visual Studio Design Mode

- **Add the ChartView control to the Toolbox.** If it isn't there already, add the **ChartView** UserControl to the Visual Studio Toolbox. To add the **ChartView** control to the VS Toolbox, right click on the Toolbox and select **Choose Items**. From the Choose Toolbox Items dialog, use the **Browse** button and go to the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\Lib folder and select QCChart2DNetCF.DLL. OK out of the Choose Toolbox Items dialog. You will now see a **ChartView** control in the tool box list of controls.

- Click on the **ChartView** control in the Toolbox and drop in on the default form.



- When you add a **ChartView** control to a Form, it adds a reference to the DLL (QCChart2DNetCF.DLL) that the control is in to the project, and places the default instantiation code in the form's Form.Designer.vb module. Starting with

VS 2005, Microsoft has decided to physically separate the designer generated code in a Form.Designer module, while keeping your user written code in a Form.vb module. If you can't see the Form.Designer.vb file in the Solution Explorer, you must click in the "Show All Files" icon at the top of the Solution Explorer, and expand the Form.vb entry by clicking on the "+" sign in front Form.vb.

- Add a reference to the QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL to the project. Right click on the project name (ScrollApplication11) in the Solution Explorer and select Add Reference. Browse to the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\Lib folder and add the QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL to the project.

- The default name used for the first instance of the **ChartView** control added to a program is ChartView1. The variable ChartView1 becomes global to the entire Form class. You will see a reference to ChartView1 in all of our example programs. You will find the definition of the ChartView1 variable in the form's Designer.vb module. In our example programs, in the form's user code area, Form.vb we typically assign ChartView1 to a local variable named chartVu, and then customize the graph using the chartVu variable name. You will also need to make sure that you reference **System.Drawing.Drawing2D**, **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf** and **com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** in the Imports section of any module that references **ChartView**. The reference **System.Drawing.Drawing2D** is needed for the definition of the **DashStyle** enumerated type that is used in most of the example programs. See the example program ScrollApplication1 for a simple example.

```
Imports System.Drawing
Imports System.Drawing.Drawing2D
Imports com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf
Imports com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf


Public Class Form1


    Private Sub Form1_Load(ByVal sender As System.Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs) Handles MyBase.Load
        InitializeGraph()
    End Sub


    Private Sub InitializeScrollGraph() '


        Dim chartVu As ChartView = ChartView1
        .
        .
        .
    End Sub 'InitializeScrollGraph
```

```
    Public Sub InitializeGraph()
        .
        .
        .
        InitializeScrollGraph()
        .
        .
        .
    End Sub 'InitializeGraph

End Class
```

- We placed all of the chart customization code in the **InitializeGraph** method. You can copy this part of the program from our own version of this example, ScrollApplication1 Form1.vb. Until this method is called, the ScrollApplication1 appears as an empty shell. We call this method from the Form_Load event. You can easily add the Form_Load event to your program by double clicking on the Form in design mode.

- You should be able to compile the project without error. Run the project and the graph should be visible on the output device, either an actual Windows Mobile device or an emulator. The emulator can take 60 seconds or more to start the program and display the default form.

Adding a ChartView control at runtime

The **ChartView** class can also be instantiated at runtime, without placing it on a form at design time. You can use the default **ChartView** constructor, or one of the special constructors that simplify adding an instance of the control to a form at runtime. See the list of **ChartView** constructors in Chapter 5 of the QCChart2D manual.

In general you pass the **ChartView** constructor a parent object (Form, Panel or TabbedControl) and a positioning rectangle that defines the position and size of the **ChartView** object. In order to add a **ChartView** control at runtime, the **ChartView** control does NOT need to be added to the Visual Studio Toolbox. You will need to add the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files to the project by right clicking project name in the Solution Explorer and selecting **Add Reference**. Browse to the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files in the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder and select both. You will also need to make sure that you reference **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf**, **com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** and

System.Drawing.Drawing2D in Imports section of any module that references **ChartView**.

ChartView constructor example (extracted from the example program ScrollApplication2, Form1)

In VB, there is no default constructor to invoke the chart initialization. For that reason the chart creation code is placed in the Form_Load event.

```
Imports System.Drawing
Imports System.Drawing.Drawing2D
Imports com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf
Imports com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf

Public Class Form1
    .
    .
    .
    Dim ChartView1 As ChartView = Nothing

    Private Sub Form1_Load(ByVal sender As System.Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs) Handles MyBase.Load
        InstantiateChartView()
        If (ChartView1 IsNot Nothing) Then
            InitializeGraph()
        End If

    End Sub


    Public Sub InstantiateChartView()
        ' Allow room for a menu in the form
        Dim graphRect As Rectangle = New Rectangle(1, 1, Me.ClientRectangle.Width
- 2, Me.ClientRectangle.Height - 2)

        ' Instantiate chart control
        ChartView1 = New ChartView(graphRect, Me)
    End Sub


    Private Sub InitializeScrollGraph() '
```

```
        Dim chartVu As ChartView = ChartView1
    .
    .
    .
    End Sub 'InitializeScrollGraph




    Public Sub InitializeGraph()
        .
        .
        .
        InitializeScrollGraph()
        .
        .
        .

    End Sub 'InitializeGraph
End Class
```

Adding a UserControl derived from ChartView at runtime

You can derive your own chart class from **ChartView**, and use that control instead of the base **ChartView** class. Right click on the project in the Solution Explorer and select **Add | User Control**. Choose the **UserControl** template. This will add a basic template for a user defined UserControl1 to your project. Go to the **UserControl1.Designer.vb** file and change the inheritance from **UserControl** to **ChartView**. You can then customize the UserControl1 class to produce a specific chart. See the UserControl1.vb code in the ScrollApplication3 example program.

In order to add a **ChartView** control at runtime, the **ChartView** control does NOT need to be added to the Visual Studio Toolbox. You will need to add the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files to the project by right clicking project name in the Solution Explorer and selecting **Add Reference**. Browse to the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files in the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder and select both. You will also need to make sure that you reference **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf** and **com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** in Imports section of any module that references **ChartView**.

ChartView constructor example (extracted from the example program ScrollApplication3)

In VB, there is no default constructor to invoke the chart initialization. For that reason the chart creation code is placed in the Form_Load event.

Extracted from file UserControl1.vb

```
Imports System.Drawing
Imports System.Drawing.Drawing2D
Imports com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf
Imports com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf

Public Class UserControl1
' Change the inheritance of the control in the UserControl1.Designer.vb file
    ' Inherits ChartView


    Private Sub InitializeScrollGraph()
        .
        .
        .
        Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
        .
        .
        .
    End Sub 'InitializeScrollGraph




    Public Sub InitializeGraph()
        .
        .
        .
        InitializeScrollGraph()
        .
        .
        .
    End Sub 'InitializeGraph

End Class
```

Extracted from file Form1.vb

```
Public Class Form1
    Dim ChartView1 As UserControl1 = Nothing
```

```
    Public Sub InstantiateChartView()
        ' Allow room for a menu in the form
        Dim graphRect As Rectangle = New Rectangle(1, 1, Me.ClientRectangle.Width
- 2, Me.ClientRectangle.Height - 2)

        ' Instantiate chart control and add it to the form
        ChartView1 = New UserControl1()
        ChartView1.Location = graphRect.Location
        ChartView1.Size = graphRect.Size
        ChartView1.PreferredSize = graphRect.Size
        Me.Controls.Add(ChartView1)
    End Sub

    Private Sub Form1_Load(ByVal sender As System.Object, ByVal e As
System.EventArgs) Handles MyBase.Load
        InstantiateChartView()
        ChartView1.InitializeGraph()
    End Sub

End Class
```

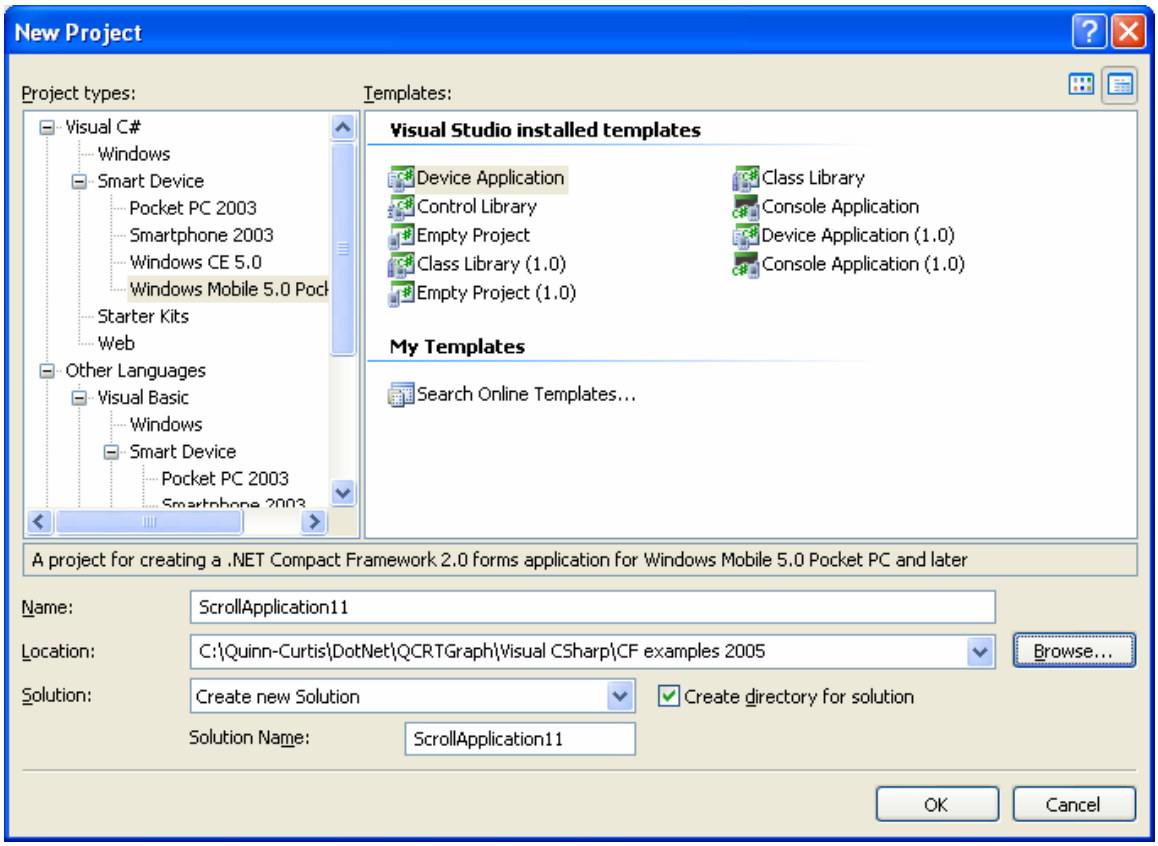
Visual C# for .Net Compact Framework

First, if this is the first **.Net Compact Framework** program you have every created, make a few practice application programs using the Visual Studio defaults. Don't' try to add graphics to an application until you are able to create a simple .**Net Compact Framework** applications using the **New Project (File | New | Project)** application wizard.

- You start the **New Project** application wizard by selecting **File | New | Project**, bringing up the **New Project** dialog box.

- From this dialog, under Project types, select **Visual C# | Smart Device | Windows Mobile 5.0** folder on the left, and the **Device Application** template on the right. The default Device Application targets a .Net CF 2.0 device. Do **NOT** target a .Net 1.0 device by selecting the Device Application (1.0), since this software is not compatible with .Net 1.0 and 1.1.

- Assign a name to the application in the name box, either the default (**DeviceApplication1**), or your own pick (**ScrollApplication11** in the example below). Select a location, which in the cases of our examples is the folder C:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCRTGraph\Visual CSharp\CF examples.

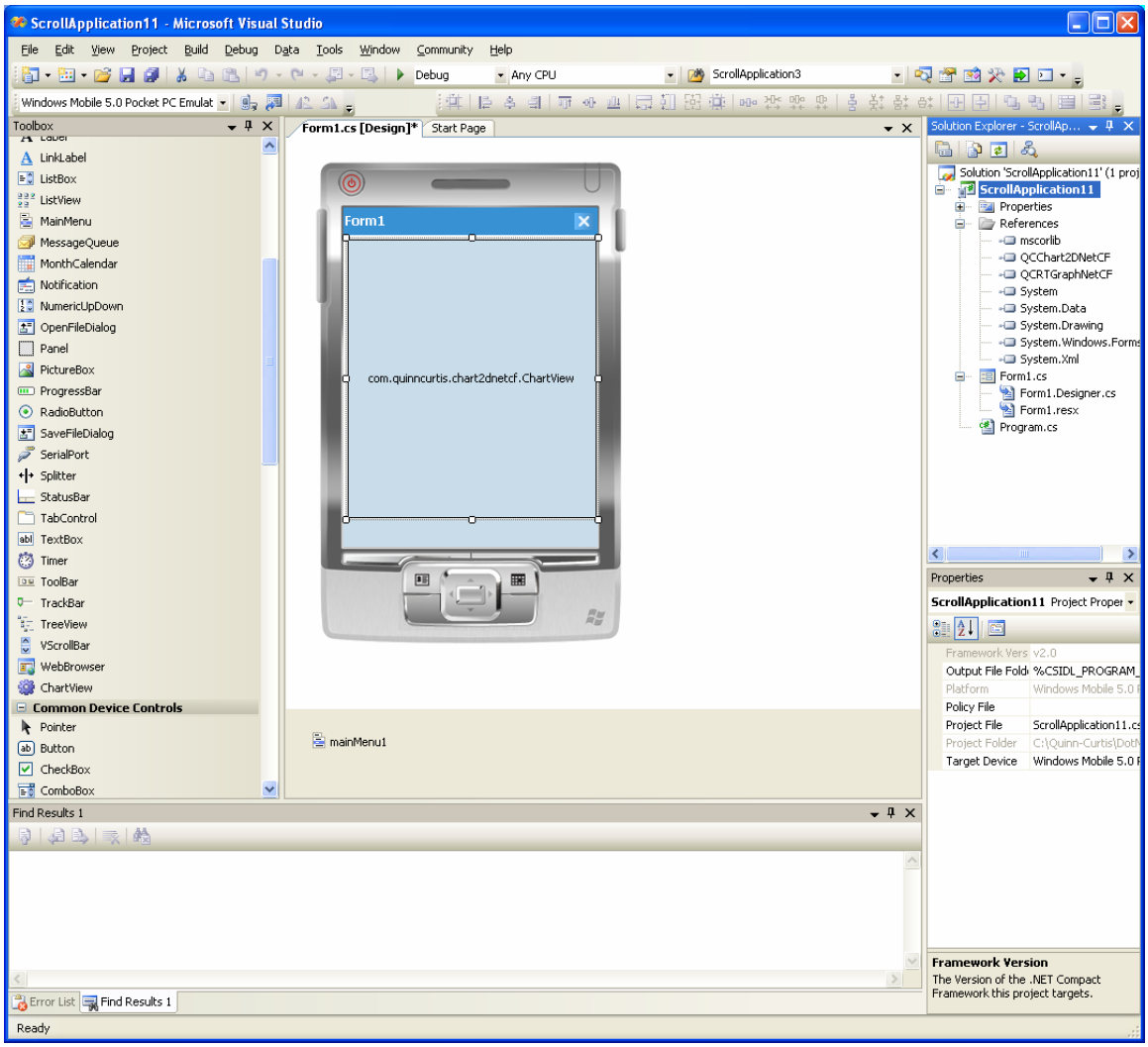


The previous steps apply to all **.Net Compact Framework** applications. The following steps are specific to adding **QCRTGraph CF** charts to your application. For purposes of this example, the chart will placed in the initial, default form.

Using ChartView with the Visual Studio Design Mode

- **Add the ChartView control to the Toolbox.** If it isn't there already, add the **ChartView** UserControl to the Visual Studio Toolbox. To add the **ChartView** control to the VS Toolbox, right click on the Toolbox and select **Choose Items**. From the Choose Toolbox Items dialog, use the **Browse** button and go to the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\Lib folder and select QCChart2DNetCF.DLL. OK out of the Choose Toolbox Items dialog. You will now see a **ChartView** control in the tool box list of controls.

- Click on the ChartView control in the Toolbox and drop in on the default form.



- When you add a **ChartView** control to a Form, it adds a reference to the DLL (QCChart2DNetCF.DLL) that the control is in to the project, and places the default instantiation code in the form's Form.Designer.cs module. Starting with VS 2005, Microsoft has decided to physically separate the designer generated code in a Form.Designer module, while keeping your user written code in a Form.cs module. If you can't see the Form.Designer.cs file in the Solution Explorer, you must click in the "Show All Files" icon at the top of the Solution Explorer, and expand the Form.cs entry by clicking on the "+" sign in front Form.cs.

- Add a reference to the QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL to the project. Right click on the project name (ScrollApplication11) in the Solution Explorer and select Add Reference. Browse to the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\Lib folder and add the QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL to the project.

- The default name used for the first instance of the **ChartView** control added to a program is chartView1. The variable chartView1 becomes global to the entire Form class. You will see a reference to chartView1 in all of our example programs. You will find the definition of the chartView1 variable in the form's Designer.cs module. In our example programs, in the form's user code area, Form.cs we typically assign chartView1 to a local variable named chartVu, and then customize the graph using the chartVu variable name. You will also need to make sure that you reference **System.Drawing.Drawing2D**, **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf** and **com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** in the Imports section of any module that references **ChartView**. The reference **System.Drawing.Drawing2D** is needed for the definition of the **DashStyle** enumerated type that is used in most of the example programs. See the example program ScrollApplication1 for a simple example.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf;
using com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf;

namespace ScrollApplication1
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            InitializeGraph();
        }

        private void InitializeScrollGraph()
        {
            ChartView chartVu = chartView1;
           .
           .
           .
        }
```

```
        public void InitializeGraph()
        {

            .
            .
            .
            InitializeScrollGraph();
            .
            .
            .
        }

    }
}
```

- We placed all of the chart customization code in the **InitializeGraph** method. You can copy this part of the program from our own version of this example, ScrollApplication1 Form1.cs. Until this method is called, the ScrollApplication1 appears as an empty shell. We call this method from the forms constructor, though it called at a later time, or during the form load event.

- You should be able to compile the project without error. Run the project and the graph should be visible on the output device, either an actual Windows Mobile device or an emulator. The emulator can take 60 seconds or more to start the program and display the default form.

Adding a ChartView control at runtime

The **ChartView** class can also be instantiated at runtime, without placing it on a form at design time. You can use the default **ChartView** constructor, or one of the special constructors that simplify adding an instance of the control to a form at runtime. See the list of **ChartView** constructors in Chapter 5 of the QCChart2D manual.

In general you pass the **ChartView** constructor a parent object (Form, Panel or TabbedControl) and a positioning rectangle that defines the position and size of the **ChartView** object. In order to add a **ChartView** control at runtime, the **ChartView** control does NOT need to be added to the Visual Studio Toolbox. You will need to add the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files to the project by right

clicking project name in the Solution Explorer and selecting **Add Reference**. Browse to the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files in the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder and select both. You will also need to make sure that you reference **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf**, **com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** and **System.Drawing.Drawing2D** in the "using" section of any module that references **ChartView**.

ChartView constructor example (extracted from the example program ScrollApplication2, Form1)

The graph is created from the form's constructor, though it can be created at a later time, or during the form load event.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf;
using com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf;

namespace ScrollApplication2
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        .
        .
        .
        ChartView chartView1 = null;

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            InstantiateChartView();
            if (chartView1 != null)
                InitializeGraph();

        }
```

```
        public void InstantiateChartView()
        {
            // Allow room for a menu in the form
            Rectangle graphRect = new Rectangle(1, 1, this.ClientRectangle.Width -
2, this.ClientRectangle.Height - 2);

            // Instantiate chart control
            chartView1 = new ChartView(graphRect, this);

        }

        private void InitializeScrollGraph()
        {
            ChartView chartVu = chartView1;
            .
            .
            .
        }

        public void InitializeGraph()
        {
            .
            .
            .
            InitializeScrollGraph();
            .
            .
            .
        }

}
```

Adding a UserControl derived from ChartView at runtime

You can derive your own chart class from **ChartView**, and use that control instead of the base **ChartView** class. Right click on the project in the Solution Explorer and select **Add | User Control**. Choose the **UserControl** template. This will add a basic template for a user defined UserControl1 to your project. Go to the **UserControl1.cs** file and change the inheritance from **UserControl** to **ChartView**. You can then customize the UserControl1

class to produce a specific chart. See the UserControl1.cs code in the ScrollApplication3 example program.

In order to add a **ChartView** control at runtime, the **ChartView** control does NOT need to be added to the Visual Studio Toolbox. You will need to add the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files to the project by right clicking project name in the Solution Explorer and selecting **Add Reference**. Browse to the QCChart2DNetCF.DLL and QCRTGraphNetCF.DLL files in the Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\lib folder and select both. You will also need to make sure that you reference **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf, com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf** and **System.Drawing.Drawing2D** in the *using* section of any module that references **ChartView**.

ChartView constructor example (extracted from the example program ScrollApplication3)

The graph is created from the form's constructor, though it can be created at a later time, or during the form load event.

Extracted from file UserControl1.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using System.Data;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnetcf;
using com.quinncurtis.rtgraphnetcf;

namespace ScrollApplication3
{
    public partial class UserControl1 : ChartView
    {
        private System.Windows.Forms.Timer timer1;
        private System.Windows.Forms.Timer timer2;

        .
        .
        .

        public UserControl1()
```

```
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            InitializeGraph();
        }

        private void InitializeScrollGraph()
        {
            ChartView chartVu = this;
            .
            .
            .
        }


        public void InitializeGraph()
        {
           .
           .
           .
           InitializeScrollGraph();
        }

}
```

Extracted from file Form1.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace ScrollApplication3
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        UserControl1 chartView1 = null;

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
```

```
        // Allow room for a menu in the form
        Rectangle graphRect = new Rectangle(1, 1, this.ClientRectangle.Width - 2,
this.ClientRectangle.Height - 2);

        // Instantiate chart control and add it to the form
        chartView1 = new UserControl1();
        chartView1.Location = graphRect.Location;
        chartView1.Size = graphRect.Size;
        chartView1.PreferredSize = graphRect.Size;
        this.Controls.Add(chartView1);

        chartView1.InitializeGraph();

        }
    }
}
```

21. Frequently Asked Questions

FAQs

First, read the FAQ's section of the **QCChart2D CF** manual. All of the FAQs for that software will apply to the **QCRTGraph CF** software.

1. Is the **QCRTGraph CF** for the **.Net Compact Framework** software compatible with the **QCRTGraph** for .Net software?

Yes, assuming you do not use any of the features that are not supported in **QCRTGraph CF**, such as rotated text, printer output and output of image files.

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